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Headteacher Awards and Core Value Awards

Because of the Winter Craft Day on Monday there was not a school assembly. Any certificates and awards will be announced in the New Year.

Reading Heroes

Bronze Award - Ruiwen



Attendance Aardvark

Well done to 1K and 2SB, who will be visited by Arthur and Annabelle this week. Both classes reached 99% attendance.



Housekeeping Hamish

Hamish will visiting 3E who did a great job keeping the class clean and tidy.

Christmas Lunch - TOMORROW

The Christmas Lunch is being served tomorrow. Please remember that if you did not order by the extended deadline of 12th December, your child will need to bring a packed lunch from home.



Mayfield's Christmas Jumper Day

Children are welcome to wear Christmas jumpers and other festive attire the day that Christmas Lunch will be served – Thursday 19th December.

Staff Panto - Aladdin

After sadly having to cancel the Staff Pantomime performance to parents last year, the team are back, this time for a Mayfield adaptation of Aladdin. Oh yes they are!!! The date for this unique (!) performance is Thursday 19th December at 3.45pm. Children have had the opportunity to see the panto during the school day today. There will not be tickets or reserving seats but please understand that space in the Large Hall is limited. There will be a collection, with donations going to supplies for the school.



Winter Craft Day

Thank you to Helen Thorpe and the PTA for arranging the Winter Craft Day on Monday, and to everyone that helped – it couldn't be done without you.

Lost Property - Last Chance!

The contents of the lost property cupboard will be laid out in the small hall at the end of school on Thursday. If your child has lost something this will be a good time for parents and children to take a look through everything. There are a large number of unclaimed, unnamed lunch boxes and bags, some winter coats and shoes too. Please do pop along to the small hall at the end of school or before the panto on Thursday to claim your items. Anything unclaimed will either be disposed of or given to charity.

School Office

Mayfield Parent Forum - Autumn Term

The new 'Parent Forum' met for the first time on 3rd December, and we are very grateful to Amy Buckley for writing up some notes for the newsletter. We would encourage all parents and carers to come along to the next forum which will be on held on Monday 27th January at 9.00 am in the community room. There will be toys available for pre-school children to play with.

Mrs Stepney and Mrs Ayliffe

Last week I went to the first parent forum, attended by both Headteachers and the Chair of Governors. It was an opportunity to discuss any whole school issues, either positive or negative. Mrs Stepney talked about e-safety and the plan to send out a fortnightly e-safety bulletin with the newsletter. We discussed the importance of also encouraging screen-free time for our children, and so there will be ideas with the newsletter on alternate weeks. Mrs Ayliffe talked about the different ways the school uses to communicate with parents.

We discussed the difficulties of communicating effectively without overloading parents with emails - we did not come up with any solutions! These parent forums are going to be held every half term and are open to ALL parents and carers - a great opportunity to contribute to the running of your child's school and have your voice heard.

Amy Buckley

E-safety update

This week we wanted to bring to your attention to an online game called 'Episode'. We have been made aware that some children have downloaded and played this game. This game is not appropriate for children and we would encourage you to read the advice given on the following link. https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/episode-choose-your-story/

Sarah Stepney

Dinner Money

Please note the amounts for next half term's school dinners.

Per Day £2.25 Per Week £11.25 Half Term £65.25

Please ensure you keep you balance up to date, if you are not sure what is owed please contact Mrs Khan in the Office. Dinner money can be paid online using our ParentPay system. If you do not have an account please ask at the school office or email skhan@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk

Mrs Khan

Clubs Next Term

The new timetable for before and after school clubs will be issued in January once dates have been confirmed. Parentmails' have been sent out with links for clubs enrolling for the new term. There have been no new additions or change of days from this term to next and therefore the current timetable on the school website can be referred to, until it is updated in January.

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Thursday Lunchtime Eco-club

Points discussed at the Eco-Club meeting on 12th December.

So far this year we have:

- Re-started the litter picking club. It happens every Thursday lunchtime and is run by a pupil in Y6 everyone is welcome
- We have been asking children and adults what eco-friendly things we are learning about in the curriculum.
- We have been looking at a possible Green Procurement policy (how to buy eco-friendly products,) and are making a list of what we already do.
- The pen collections are still going!

Mr Holt

Dates for your Diary	
Wednesday 18th December	PTA Winter Disco
Thursday 19th December	Children's Christmas Lunch Wear a Christmas Jumper!
	Staff Panto Performance Large Hall 3.45pm
Friday 20th December	Last day of Autumn term
Tuesday 7th January	First day of Spring term

Thank you to all those who have registered, please keep sharing the scheme. © Our new total is £275.34 ©

The link to keep sharing is: https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/36988