

Bishops Down Primary School News

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2nd December 2011

Dear Parents,

Samaritans Purse - Many thanks for the response to our shoebox appeal. We managed to collect 164 boxes which Year 3 helped load into the collection van. Congratulations to everyone for all your enthusiasm.

Children in Need - Thank you to everyone who helped make Children in Need Day such a success. The school raised a grand sum of £739.83.

School Expansion - The Governors will be making their decision about the school's expansion on Monday evening, and Lynne Russell, Chair of Governors, would welcome any parents' opinions to be emailed to her before this meeting. Please email your comments to governors@bishops-down.kent.sch.uk

Christmas Discos - Christmas discos have been organised for Reception to Year 6 children on Thursday 15th December. Please don't forget to return a slip if you wish your child to attend. Copies are available from the school office. Unfortunately, all places in After School Club are now filled. If you have sent in a form for the disco and not yet paid for it online, please do so **by 8th December**.

Photographs - Individual and family photographs of the children have been booked to take place on Friday 27th January. Further details will follow after Christmas.

Netball Report - On Wednesday 23rd November our Netball team took part in three netball matches. Miriam, our star Goal Attack, scored over nine goals, Lola (GS) scored one, and Freya (GS) scored one. The whole team played really well in all three matches. Mia, Freya and Ed took

it in turns to be captain. We won all three matches, 3-1, 7-2, and 1-0. We are very proud of ourselves.
Mia Vyner and Ed Gomersall

Olympic Logo Competition - Children have brought home information about the Tunbridge Wells Olympic Logo Competition. Children need to design an Olympic logo for Bishops Down. The closing date for Bishop Down entries is **7th December**. Please hand all entries into the school office.

Year 5 School Sports Committee Competitions - The Year 5 School Sports committee are running competitions for:
Young Artist
Young Musician
Young Reporter
Young Announcer
Young Statistician
Young Photographer
These are Olympic 2012 competitions and winners of Bishops Down will go through to the next round against other Tunbridge Wells Schools' winners. If your child is interested in entering they need to collect a sheet from the Sports board outside Year 3 and 4 classrooms. The closing date for all of these is **5th February 2012**.

Clubs - There will be no after school activities (Football, Glee etc) during the last week of term. Also, please note that Tag Rugby Club has now finished for the term and will not take place on Wednesday 7th December as Mrs. Tizzard is unavailable. Netball Club will be finishing next week's session at 4pm as it then too dark to play.

Kind regards,

Dan Turvey

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Dear Parents,

CHRISTMAS FAIR - 11th DECEMBER 12 - 2pm

Please find below a list of the stalls which have been allocated to each class for the fair. Class Reps will be asking for volunteers to help staff the stalls.

Acorn - Pin the Button on the Snowman

Willow - Treasure Map Game / Guess How many Sweets in the Jar

Chestnut - Grotto

Beech - Christmas Shop (Secret Santa) / Craft Tags

Bonsai - Serving Food / Catch-a-Rat

Apple - Rudolf Hoopla / Toys

Maple - Children's Tombola

Sycamore - Cakes

Redwood - Raffle Hampers

Oak - Adult Tombola / Lucky Dip

If you are able to help with a stall on Sunday or with the setting up on either Saturday 10th from 12pm or Sunday 11th from 10am then the PSA would love to hear from you. Just turn up on the day or let your class representative or a PSA member know where you are able to help. We are particularly looking for face painters this year if you are able to help with this stall.

TOYS AND SECRET SANTA DONATIONS

We are now accepting donations of toys for the toy stall and also unwanted gifts for the Secret Santa. Please leave any donations at the office or with a PSA member.

PLASTIC BAG SWEET DONATIONS

Plastic bags have been sent home in the book bags. Please could these be filled with sweets and tied and returned to the office for the children's tombola. Further bags are available from the office if necessary.

Bottle / Cake / Mince pie donations - from 9th December

In return for wearing non-uniform, we are asking for donations of bottles for the bottle tombola from children in Years 3 to 6, and also cakes / mince pies for the fair from children in Nursery to Year 2. Cakes and mince pie donations can also be brought to the fair on Sunday.

Hamper donations

Donations for the class hampers are now being accepted. Each class has a theme for these and the hampers will be raffled at the Christmas fair.

Christmas Cards

A big thank you to everyone who bought Christmas cards this year. This raised over £300 for the school.

We look forward to seeing you all at the Fair.
The PSA