

EARDISLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Giving Children Roots and Wings



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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 24th November 2017

Dear Families

School Hall Blessing

It was a real pleasure and a great treat to be able to share our Service of Blessing with many of you on Monday this week. The Bishop of Hereford, Bishop Richard, blessed our newly-plastered school hall and took part in our beautiful ceremony. He, along with many of our guests, complimented the children on their fabulous singing. He was also very struck by the range and quality of the work he saw. The morning ended with the sharing of a splendid school cake! I am very proud of the school, which really showed its glorious colours! Thank you again to FOES for their fundraising, and to everyone who supported the event.

Remembrance Festival

We received a very lovely letter from the Eardisley and District Branch of the Royal British Legion, writing to thank us for including them in our Festival of Remembrance last week. They said they were most impressed with the obvious respect shown by the children.

School Dinner Prices

We have had a letter from JP Catering informing us that due to increased costs of products and labour they will have to increase meal prices from £2.20 per meal per day to £2.30 for children in Beech and Oak Classes from January 2018. Willow and Rowan meals will still continue at no cost to parents under the government Universal Free School Meal scheme.

Netball

Well done to our netball players who took part in a tournament on Monday at Lady Hawkins School.

Readers Needed Please!

We would love to hear from any parents or grandparents who are able to give a little time each week to hear children read. Reading is one of the best things that children can do to improve their all-round academic capabilities – and reading with children is one of the nicest activities we do! If you feel that you are able to help, please do speak to Mrs Small, Mrs Knight or Mrs Bluett in the school office.

Just so you are aware, the children will all be going back and forwards to church over the next few weeks for rehearsals for Christmas productions.

Best wishes.

Bridget Knight.

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NOTICES AND INFORMATION

School Car Park

Our staff have had considerable trouble this week finding spaces to park in the school car park in the mornings. We have a legal duty to provide safe parking for the school buses, staff should be able to park on their work premises and pedestrians, both children and adults, should be able to cross the car park safely. We thank all the parents/carers who do park responsibly away from the car park, your consideration is very much appreciated. We ask again that all parents/carers refrain from using the school car park unless you have specific permission.

Christmas Card Competition

Central Stores, the Eardisley village shop, is running a 'Design a Christmas Card' competition for the children. The best card design from each year group will win a prize for the class. All entries are to be put in a special post box at the shop by Wednesday, 13th December and should have the child's name and year group on the back. Prizes to be awarded on Friday, 15th December at 3.00 pm at school. We will try to get the card designs done during school time if possible but children are free to enter from home as well.

Thank you!

Thank you to our Teaching Assistant, Miss Howard, who has made a splendid new bell rope for our school bell which we will now be able to ring again.

Thank you to the parents and children who sent in a shoebox for our Operation Christmas Child appeal. We had 9 shoeboxes this year to send off so thank you for your support.

School photos have gone home this week and we hope you are all pleased with them. We have received £245 in commission for our school funds so thank you for supporting us in this.

Well done!

Further to our item in last week's newsletter, our congratulations also go to Maisie-Lou, Phoebe, Jasmine and Olivia who were also part of the Aspire Dance Team which did so well at the Gloucester Dance Competition. Well done to all our pupils who took part – we obviously have some exciting dance talent within the school!

Clubs

Yoga Club – There will be no Yoga Club 27th November.

Yoga Club will continue after Christmas but will also be open to any children in Beech and Oak Classes. Boys and girls can benefit greatly from Yoga and it would be lovely to have a mixed group taking part. Please do think about your child joining – slips will be coming out before Christmas.

Computer Club – cancelled on 27th November

Christmas Lunch

Please don't forget to send in your child's Christmas lunch order by next Friday 1st December.

Reminder! Craft Fair - School Hall

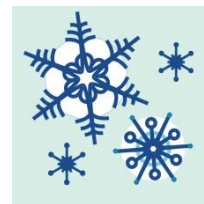
Do visit our Craft Fair taking place on Thursday 30th November 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm. There will be lots of different things to buy and refreshments. Please see attached poster and look out in the Hereford Times for further coverage.

Please see a message at the end of the letter from Stuart Brain. We have some marvellous singing going on in school this year and it would be lovely to support the singing in church as well.

Just in case (!) we experience some very wintery weather over the next few weeks, below is the council website addresses and radio station where you can find out if the school is open or not.



- www.herefordshire.gov.uk
- BBC Radio Hereford and Worcester ~ 94.7/104/104.4/104.6



We will also send a text message.

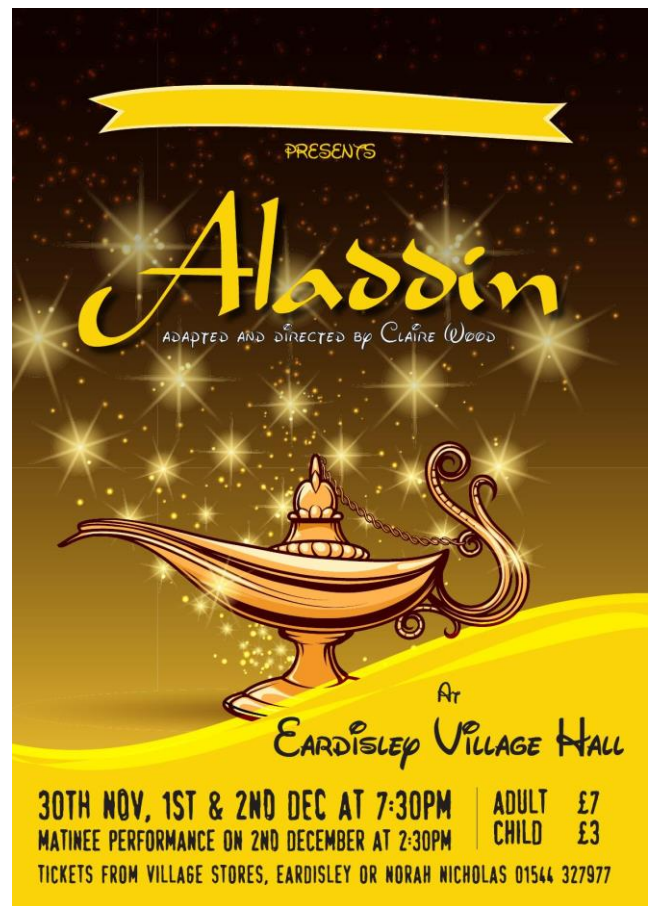
If our school remains open but you cannot get to school, just telephone to let us know.

If school is open, please make sure that children have adequate coats and footwear.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES	
Thursday, 30 th November	Rowan Class to Madley FOES Craft Fair in evening 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm
Tuesday, 5 th December	Christmas Jumper day in return for items for Fayre Pm KS1 Dress Rehearsal Nativity in church
Wednesday, 6 th December	Pm KS1 Nativity in church
Friday, 8 th December	3.30 FOES Christmas Fayre
Wednesday, 13 th December	Christmas Lunch in school
Thursday 14 th December	6.30 pm KS2 Christmas Carol Service in evening
Friday, 15 th December	Break up for Christmas Holidays

What's happening next week?

Monday	Netball Club	Thursday	Rowan Class to Madley Rainbows – after school KS2 Dance Club Craft Fair 6.30 pm
Tuesday	Mother & Toddler Group am Football Club	Friday	
Wednesday	Swimming Oak Class (last one) KS1 Dance Club Art Club		



Come and sing in our Pop-Up Choir at the Christingle Service in the church.

We are practising on Wednesdays the 6th and 13th of December and possibly on Tuesday the 19th.

We will meet in the church from 6.00 – 6.45 p.m. This will be for children and adults. Come along and support us and have some fun singing together.

Just turn up.
Stuart Brain