



Oxenhope

Church of England Primary School

BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE



4th December 2009

It was lovely to see so many of you at this morning's Christmas coffee morning. Thank you so much for coming along and supporting the event which will have raised a great deal of money to help the school to fund exciting future developments.

A big thank you to all the members of the 'Friends' who have been planning the event for months and working so hard to make it the huge success that it was.

Infant Nativity

Tickets are still available from the office (50p each) for the afternoon performance only which takes place on Thursday 10th December at 2.00 p.m.

Can I remind everyone that Macmillan/ Priestley Classes will also be selling Christmas crafts before and after the afternoon performance. This is part of the 'mind your own business' campaign to develop the business and enterprise skills of the children and to raise money for Manorlands hospice. If you are not coming to the afternoon performance please feel free to come into school from 3:15 pm onwards to buy crafts.

School open on Monday 7th December

Apparently this week's Keighley News is reporting that our school will be closed for staff training this coming Monday. Can I assure you all that this is not the case and the school will be open as usual.

Netball

On Monday night our girl's team won another three matches. This puts the team in a very strong position in the league. Well done to all the girls and Mrs Driver.

Christmas cards

As I mentioned last week the Friends are organising a Christmas card tree in the school Hall. All the children are welcome to write a card to wish everyone at school a Merry Christmas. The Friends would appreciate a donation towards their fundraising efforts for the school.

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Parent survey

Many thanks to all of you who have returned the questionnaire which was attached to last week's newsletter. Please could I ask you to try to return this to school as soon as possible as your views are a crucial part of school evaluation and planning.

Celebration Assembly

There was no Celebration Assembly this morning due to the Christmas Coffee morning but there will be one next week. This will be the last one of 2009 as we will all be in church on Friday 18th December for our Christmas service.

In next weeks assembly we will be awarding a new 'Star of the term' certificate for two children in each class. We will also be awarding 100% attendance certificates to children who have been in school everyday this term and the Attendance trophy will be presented to the class with the highest attendance this term.

Please come along to join us for this if you can.

Christmas carols

Good luck to Miss Taylor and all the children who are taking part in 'Young Voices' at the Manchester MEN Arena on Monday. I know they will have a fantastic time and represent our school brilliantly.

Also, many of the children will be taking part in the 'Lights of love' concert at Manorlands hospice on Sunday 13th December.

No Football club or Singing club this Wednesday

I am afraid that these two very popular clubs have had to be cancelled next week due to staff meeting.

Mrs Morton and Mrs Driver

As you are aware Mrs Driver will be leaving us at Christmas. Mrs Morton will also be leaving us and taking early retirement. If you would like to make a donation towards a gift for the teachers please send this in a sealed envelope to the school office.

Christmas Calendars

Last 11 calendars will be on sale from Lindsey McManus in the playground before and after school (where possible). Or leave a note with full payment in the school office. They are £6.50 each, cash or cheques payable to 'Friends of Oxenhope School'.

Yours Sincerely

Mr Dan Burns - Headteacher