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Newsletter – Autumn Term 2022 – Monday 12th December

Dear parents/carers,

A newsletter with a difference today – as you know, I usually send out my newsletter at the end of the week. As we had our Christmas Fayre on Friday and didn't have a Celebration Assembly, I thought it made sense to send out the newsletter when we had some more details from the Fayre to share with you – so, here we are!

Christmas Fayre

It was great to see so many of you on Friday afternoon to support our Christmas Fayre. As ever, these events wouldn't be as successful without the incredible support of the FOSS. For several weeks before such events, there's a great deal of organisation required and, of course, there's also running things on the day. I am sure you agree that the whole FOSS team do an incredible job supporting the school and organising crucial fundraising. Thank you to Lisa, Yvonne and Kim L for giving up so much of their time to organise and run the Fayre on Friday. Many thanks also go to Ali, Angela, Yolanda, Jill, Kim H, Ana, Jess, Kim S, Gloria, Gwen, Janice, Dave, Derek, Mrs Palmer and all the older pupils and school staff who helped out (apologies if we have missed anyone from the list) for all of your hard work on the day and helping to prepare – the whole Sageston CP School community is very grateful. I must also thank everyone for their kind donations towards the Fayre, including Carew Village Stores who provided the prize for the 'Guess the number of sweets in the jar' competition.

During Friday's festivities, we were able to raise an exceptional £733. This does not include any money raised from the raffle.

Whilst preparing for the Fayre, some of the team also found some spare time to put together snack packs for the pupils to have whilst watching the 'Sleeping Beauty' pantomime on Wednesday – diolch yn fawr iawn pawb! In addition, of course, FOSS also used some of the funds they have raised recently to help subsidise each pupil's ticket, keeping the cost to parents for this trip much lower than it would have been.

Raffle update: FOSS will be selling tickets for the raffle at each of the Christmas performances this week and next. We will draw the prizes following Swan and Kingfisher Classes' evening performance of 'Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits' on Wednesday 21st December.

To be won: luxury hamper (donations from the whole school community), Scarlets tickets, several bottles of alcohol, two £10 vouchers for Olive and Harley's, a £20 Andrew Price voucher, two cheese and wine hampers, a cuddly toy, a hamper with Avon goodies as well as lots of other gifts, a luxury Christmas decoration and other prizes.

Values:

From a shortlist of twenty values chosen by staff, governors and parents, pupils have been making their decisions about which values they feel are most important for us to focus on in school. The final twelve values we will focus on are:

Respect	Friendship	Self-belief	Kindness
Honesty	Confidence	Responsibility	Teamwork
Politeness	Empathy	Happiness	Resilience

Starting from next term, we will focus on two of these values each half term. I will use them as inspiration for assemblies and teachers and support staff will use them in their daily work with the children.

Vision:

We are also pleased to be able to share our new vision for the school with you – again this had input from all stakeholders and, whilst we were not able to include every single idea, we hope you feel this is reflective of the school we are the one we aspire to be.

Sageston Community Primary School is a happy, safe and inclusive school, taking pride in being an integral part of our local community.

We aspire to develop confident, resilient and ambitious learners who are well-prepared for each progressive step of their learning journey and their lives beyond education.

Our curriculum aims to engage and challenge all pupils through a variety of exciting, relevant and inspiring learning experiences that are influenced and shaped by the views of our pupils. We encourage our learners to be curious, expressive and independent in an environment in which they feel comfortable to take risks, knowing that we all learn from our mistakes.

Key Dates – December:

Monday 12th December: Robin and Barn Owl Classes' Christmas Productions (10am)

Tuesday 13th December: Robin and Barn Owl Classes' Christmas Productions (6pm)

Wednesday 14th December: Christmas Dinner Day (pupils will be able to wear Christmas jumpers during the day)

Tuesday 20th December: Swan and Kingfisher Classes' Christmas Production (10am and 2pm)

Wednesday 21st December: Swan and Kingfisher Classes' Christmas Production (6pm)

Friday 23rd December: Final Day of the Term (Pupils can come in non-school uniform and bring a toy or game to play)

A reminder that the first day of the spring term, Monday 9th January, will be an INSET Day with the school closed to pupils. The first day back in school for pupils will be Tuesday 10th January 2023.

After School Clubs

This week will be the last week for after school clubs until the second week of the new term. This means that there will not be any after school clubs on the weeks beginning Monday 19th December or Monday 9th January. In the first week after the Christmas break, I will keep you updated about the clubs which will be running from Monday 16th January.

Kitchen Staff

We said farewell to Mrs Marie Phillips from the kitchen today. She had been with us since half term and we are grateful for all her hard work whilst she was working in Sageston CP School. We wish her well as she returns to her role in Templeton School.

It is a pleasure to welcome Mrs Alison Williams as our new school cook. She has been working in the school over the past week, getting to know the kitchen and pupils and I am sure she will be a great addition to the Sageston CP School team.

Last Week's Learning:

Ducklings (Playgroup)



Robin Class



Barn Owl Class



Swan Class



Kingfisher Class



Christmas Carolling with Expressive Arts Club



I hope travelling to and from school gets easier for us all as the week progresses. Please take care outside, everyone.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "A Welch". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mr A Welch
Headteacher