



# Preshute Newsletter

## Christmas Fayre

Thank you ever so much to everyone who contributed time and effort for the Christmas Fayre on Saturday. It was a spectacular event bringing together the local community and showcasing some fabulous musical talent as well - a huge thank you to the children who provided background music & the choir for leading the singing in the hall. Early estimates suggest that it raised nearly £3000, so well done indeed! And the festive fun is not yet over... there are 2 places still available on tonight's wreath-making class (contact Emma at [emmakirschen@hotmail.com](mailto:emmakirschen@hotmail.com) if you are interested) and there will be more Christmas shopping opportunities next Wednesday (14<sup>th</sup>) - look out for further information by email!

Emma Playfair (Chair of the PPSA)

## Nativity & Rehearsal

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>:** The whole school will be walking down to the College for a rehearsal of the nativity, followed by lunch in Norwood Hall (please ensure they are wearing a coat). Please return your lunch choices at school drop off tomorrow, if you have not already done so.

Please arrange to pick up your children from Court (grass area by Norwood Hall, Marlborough College) at 3pm. There is no school bus after school. Children who are attending Fun Club will be walked back to school (there is no football club). **Friday 16<sup>th</sup>:**

Whole school nativity at Marlborough College Chapel starting at 2pm. Doors open at 1.40pm. All are welcome to attend and to park in the College car park. There will be a retiring collection for 'Save the Children'. All children are to be collected from the chapel at the end of the service please (approx. 3pm). No children will be returning to school and there is **NO BUS or FUN CLUB TODAY**. Last day of term.

## 'Prospect' Christmas Jumper Day

The children are invited to come to school next Thursday (rehearsal day, as above) in non-uniform for a suggested donation of £1 towards the Prospect Hospice. If they have a Christmas jumper, please wear it!

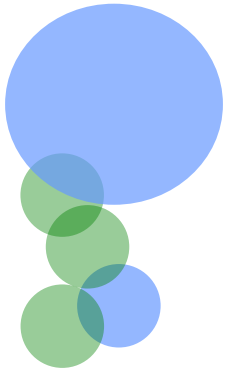
## School Post Box

The school Christmas post box has re-emerged near the office and is now operational! If your children wish to send Christmas cards to anybody in the school, they can post them here and they will be sorted and delivered by Y6. Please be aware of some children's sensitivity if you're sending to most of the class, but missing a few out.

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## Dance Festival

This year's cluster dance festival will take place on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March with rehearsals all day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup>. We will therefore, be running a Dance Club to prepare for the festival. This will run from 13<sup>th</sup> January to the end of March. There is a limit on the number of dancers each school can enter and as we are restricted to just 15, names will be drawn out of a hat if oversubscribed. If your child is interested in taking part and is in Year 5 or Year 6 and is definitely able to attend all rehearsals and available on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March, then please can you send in the permission slip below. There will be a small charge for the club - we'll let you know when it has been finalised.

## Skipping Workshop

The whole school enjoyed a fabulous day on Friday with 'Dan, the Skipping Man'! He did individual workshops with each class and ended the day with a show where some of the children demonstrated what they had learnt. We are encouraging the children to skip at playtimes. We have a few skipping ropes for sale from the office - £6 each.



## Athletic Success

Esme (Y4) took part in the Swindon Santa Run held at Lydiard Park on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December in aid of the Wiltshire Air Ambulance. Esme had a fantastic run and was the overall (yes, including the adults!) winner in the 3k race. Well done Esme!



## Joint Orchestra

Several of our musicians have been involved in the joint Preshute - Bedwyn orchestra, rehearsing over the last 2 months. They will be performing tonight in St Mary's church, Great Bedwyn at 6.30pm.

We wish Oli C, Jack, Mabel, Manon, Izumi, Lydia & Tamsin (all Y3) and Freya & Susie (Y4) good luck! Thanks to Mr Byrne for all his help and time organising & rehearsing.

## Swimming/ Leisure Centre

Y4 will be swimming at the Leisure Centre next term, and Y3 will be doing PE there.

You will receive a separate letter about this tomorrow.

Please return the slips by next Thursday. It starts on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January. It will also be set up on ParentPay.

## Dance Festival Club Reply Slip

My child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ would like to join the Dance Festival Club starting on 13<sup>th</sup> January and every subsequent Friday afternoon until 17<sup>th</sup> March. I understand that he/she will be required to represent the school on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_