



A MESSAGE FROM THE CO-HEADTEACHERS...



As parents and grandparents ourselves, we are certainly feeling a slight sense of panic that Christmas is coming and that we might simply not be ready. Our children face no such qualms. With a beautiful Advent service on Wednesday, and the start of nativity rehearsals, the children's 'readiness' for Christmas is very apparent. We have not only enjoyed hearing their rehearsals but it has also been a real pleasure to visit their classrooms and see some stunning seasonal artwork appearing.

We are conscious of all the hard work that PTA members, parents and carers are putting into the preparations for next Saturday's 'Star of Wonder' Christmas Fair. It promises to be a very special afternoon in so many ways, and, after the hiatus of the last few years, it is incredibly exciting to see the return of this fun festive community event. Thank you for all of your efforts.

Our core value for November is 'forgiveness'. With this in mind, we invite you to talk to your child about the following Bible passage linked to this value. '*Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us*' Luke 11 verse 4.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Hannah Pullen and Sharon Saunders

Co-Headteachers

GOLDEN BOOK CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the following children who received Golden Book certificates last week:

YEAR R

Freya C
Jude W
Isla S
Indigo B

YEAR 1

Sofia B
Gideon H
Tilly S
Lauren L

YEAR 2

Anna A
Rishi D
Damian W
Lucy W-S

YEAR 3

Joshua Y
Noah S
Jan V
Nate N

YEAR 4

Jemima B
James T
Logan S
Olivia M

YEAR 5

Jagger C
Aiden W
Rory M
Scarlett F



YEAR 6

Teddy A
George C
Saskia M
Oleh K

NETBALL TOURNAMENT

This week, on a very cold afternoon, the Lady Boswell's netball team took to the court for a tournament. Their first match was against Edenbridge Primary School. Both teams demonstrated great netballing skills throughout the game. Our team scored first and the game proved to be a very close one. Lady Boswell's ended up losing 4-2 to a very accomplished Edenbridge side.

Our second game was against Sevenoaks County Primary School, with an exciting end-to-end game and excellent netball from both sides. This time Lady Boswell's were the victors, winning 5-2.

Well done to all the children that took part.





ADVENT



Our thanks to our Year 3 children, who led the School in an Advent act of worship.

Carrying their lights, they led the School in prayer and sang a beautiful rendition of 'Light of the World' by Lauren Diagle.

Our Advent wreath sat in pride-of-place, waiting for the first of the purple candles to be lit.

YEAR 5— CLARINET LESSONS

Our Year 5 children are continuing to enjoy their group clarinet lessons.

Their progress has been good and the children are always eager to get started.



CHRISTMAS TREES



Once again this year, Stonepitts Farm have offered to contribute £2.00 to our PTA funds for every Christmas tree purchased by a parent or member of staff (please produce proof of this Newsletter article). This contribution is in addition to funds that they are raising in support of Demelza Hospice Care for Children. For details click [here](#).

YEAR 5 RAINFOREST SOUNDSCAPES

Inspired by the rainforest picture on the right, Year 5 used their computing skills, along with their musical ears, to produce a soundscape to the scene.

Thank goodness that our recently installed touch-screen computers also have headsets!



SCIENCE AMBASSADORS—DIRTY HANDS EXPERIMENT

A group of our Science Ambassadors have been conducting a longitudinal study into the transmission of germs.

They looked at the growth of mould on bread after it had been handled by a broad group of children, by the Science Ambassadors themselves, with hands that had been washed in soap and water and with hands sanitised with hand gel. There was also a control slice which remained untouched.

The results showed that the more a piece of bread was touched, the greater the mould formed because of the number of germs present on the skin. The children also noted the impact of hand-washing and sanitising on the results. Overall, the experiment showed that washing your hands is imperative in reducing the spread of germs!





APPEAL FOR FURTHER DONATIONS FOR THE CHRISTMAS FAIR

The PTA/Class stalls would still welcome donations of the following for the Christmas Fair:

Teddies - Acorn Class are running the Teddy Tombola this year and welcome donations of your pre-loved teddies, in good condition and ready for a new home.

Christmas Clothing/Fancy Dress/Attire - Mulberry Class are running a **Christmas clothing/fancy dress/accessories** stall and will have a selection of festive clothing and accessories available to buy. Please dig out any donations of Christmas jumpers, fancy dress, dresses, t-shirts, hats, jewellery, hair accessories, etc.

Books - The PTA will be running a book stall and are looking for donations of good quality books of any kind - cookbooks, biographies, fiction, art, history, children's books, etc.

Pre-loved uniform – no whites or greys thank you.

Please can you leave your good quality donations for Acorn and Mulberry Class in the designated boxes in the reception area of the school office.

Please leave all good quality book donations or uniform donations in the PTA shed by the bike rack at the main school entrance in the storage boxes provided (to protect them from the wet and creepy crawlies).

Bring a Bottle

A reminder from the PTA that Friday (2nd December) is an 'own clothes' day for the children, in exchange for bringing a bottle for the Bottle Tombola at the PTA Christmas Fair.

Details of what to bring and where to deliver your bottle will follow next week.



Sevenoaks District Council have contacted us about their Engine Idling Campaign, which focusses on air quality and the impact that engine idling has on our environment.

Our Eco Council will be taking part in their poster competition, but we wanted to open this up to all of our pupils. Please note that entries need to be returned to your child's Class Teacher by Friday, 2nd December

For more information on how to take part please [here](#).



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PTA

Can You Help? - Amazon Smile and Easyfundraising

We would like to remind you of the power of shopping with Amazon Smile and EasyFundraising.

Both organisations will donate a percentage of the shopping value to Lady Boswell's PTA when you select us as your charity.

So with the fantastic BLACK Friday offers and Christmas around the corner, please remember when you shop at Amazon to please shop through Amazon Smile or if shopping elsewhere through EasyFundraising, who cover most large retailers.

The PTA, with your support funds items requested by the school - everything from sports equipment, experience days to the buddy bench. The PTA also funds and part funds larger items for the benefit of the whole School.

AMAZON SMILE

If you shop on Amazon, you may also like to consider switching to AmazonSmile and selecting Lady Boswell's PTA as your chosen charity. Amazon will donate 0.5% of all purchases to the school, at no cost to you, simply go to <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1034434-0> to get started. It takes less than a minute to do.

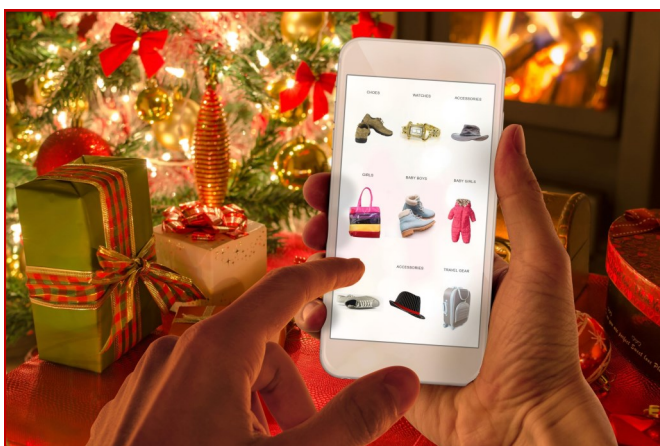
EASYFUNDRAISING

Alternatively, if you shop at M&S, ASOS, JD Sports, John Lewis, Argos, or enjoy the occasional Domino's pizza, you can download the EasyFundraising app (free of charge) and nominate Lady Boswell's PTA as your chosen charity. In this instance, 2% of any purchases will come straight to Lady Boswell's PTA. It's easy to do and doesn't cost a penny.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=28001>

All you need to do is sign up and remember to use easyfundraising whenever you shop online. These donations really mount up, so please sign up to support us.

Thank you for your continued support.



DIARY DATES

TERM 2—DIARY DATES		TERM 3—DIARY DATES	
	Parent Prayer Meetings— 9.00am 11&25 Nov and 9 Dec		Parent Prayer Meetings— to be confirmed
	Term 2 swimming— Sycamore, Oak and Elm Classes 3/10/17/24 Nov and 1/8/15 Dec		Term 3 swimming— Copper Beech, Sycamore and Holly Classes—5/12/19/26 Jan and 2/9 Feb
28/11/22	Final day for returning 'Star of Wonder' Christmas Fair Artwork Competition pieces. See Parent-mail of 16/11/22	3/1/23	Inset Day/Parent Consultation Day—more information to follow
30/11/22	Year 4 Roman Day in School	4/1/23	First day of Term 3
1/12/22	6.00pm Santa's Grotto ticket purchase window closes	6/1/23	3.30pm—3.45pm Open Classroom
2/12/22	Final date for returning PTA raffle tickets and payment for tickets	16/1/23	Primary Admissions Application process closes
2/12/22	Own clothes day in exchange for bringing a bottle for the PTA Bottle Tombola—more information to follow	23/1/23	School Clubs commence
3/12/22	1.00—4.00pm PTA Christmas Fair	3/2/23	TT Rock Stars Day—more information to follow
7/12/22	9.30am Year R Nativity 2.15pm and 5.30pm Year 1 and 2 Nativity	4/2/23	PTA Parents' Quiz Night
9/12/22	PTA Children's Film Night—pls see Parentmail of 1/11/22	6/2/23	Children's Mental Health Awareness Week commences
13/12/22	School Christmas lunch—children invited to wear Christmas jumpers and hats	7/2/23	Safer Internet Day
14/12/22	6.30pm KS2 Carol Service at St. Nicholas Church	10/2/23	Last day of Term 3
16/12/22	Last day of Term 2		

Lady Boswell's PTA
proudly presents

Festive Film Night
Friday 9 December 2022
3.30 - 5.30pm

Years 2-5 | Klaus (Certificate PG)
Year 6 | Elf (Certificate PG)



Lady Boswell's PTA
Christmas Fair 2022

Star of Wonder

Saturday 3 December 2022
1 - 4pm, School Hall
Admission: £1 per adult



Advent Event for Ukrainian Families



**Різдвяне
рукоділья,
святкування та
спілкування**

Адвент-зустріч з підготовки до Різдва для
українських сімей 3-го грудня 2022,

10:30-13:30

Bessels Green Baptist Church

Вхід безкоштовний
Більше інформації
за посиланням

<https://besselsgreenbaptistchurch.churchsite.com/event/s/vvym0ar>



📅 Saturday, 3 December 2022

🕒 10:30am - 1:30pm

📍 Bessels Green Baptist Church, TN13 2PS

For full details click [here](#).