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Friday 22nd November 2019

Thank you to all the parents who came along to our Remembrance Assembly in St Leonard's Church on Monday 11th November. It was a lovely occasion and allowed the children to reflect on the human cost of war and also celebrate the peace that has been achieved over time. Thank you also to all parents who supported the Royal British Legion by allowing their child to buy a poppy in school. We will let you know how much the school raised for this very worthwhile charity once we know.



Unfortunately, the rain put paid to both our Children In Need day plans and the Otters and Badgers Disco on Friday 15th November. Luckily, the Friends of Bretforton Village School swiftly reorganised the disco for Friday 22nd instead! Thank you to everyone for your understanding during our enforced closure last week and also your swift response to our notification that we were closing the school.

Christmas is fast approaching now so I thought it might be helpful to give you advance notice of some important festive dates and events.

Firstly, we have the school Christmas Fair, organised by the Friends of Bretforton Village School. This will run on Friday 29th November from 3.00pm to 4.00pm, and then on Saturday 30th November from 11.00am to 2.00pm. Do come along and support the school – it will certainly put you in a festive mood, and children from all three classes have been involved in some of the stalls.

On Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th December, we have our Christmas performances, both at St Leonard's Church and held at 2.00pm and 6.00pm respectively. As ever, we do not charge for these events but, rest assured, we will be collecting for charity. As we lost Children in Need day to the floods, this year we will be collecting on behalf of this very worthwhile cause.



On Monday 16th December, we will all be travelling to the Everyman Theatre for the Christmas pantomime Cinderella. We will share further information about this nearer the date itself. However, it may be useful to bear in mind that there will be no hot school lunches on that day as we will not be back in school in time. All children will need a packed lunch on that day which they will eat when we get back to school.



You will have already received a letter about the school Christmas lunch at The Fleece on Wednesday 18th December. This is one of my favourite events of the whole school year and is a truly festive occasion in a beautiful setting. Please remember that replies for this need to be in school by Wednesday 5th December at the latest and no other hot lunches will be available on that day. Any child not having a Christmas lunch will need a packed lunch but will still be fully involved in all the festivities!

As if all that were not enough, on the final day of term, Friday 20th December, we will be going over to St Leonard's Church for the Christingle service from 9.15am. This is a lovely way to end the autumn term and really celebrates the reason for the Christmas celebrations. Do come along if you are able to – Mrs Pye will be leading the service and the children will be joining in with their, as always, excellent singing.



The Bretforton Christmas post box will be open from Monday 3rd December – if children are sending cards to other children in school, they can post them there for delivery. Please make sure the recipient's surname and/or class are on the envelope to avoid confusion!

Diary Dates

Friday 29th November – Christmas Fair in school – 3.00pm to 4.00pm

Saturday 30th November – Christmas Fair in school – from 11.00am to 2pm

Monday 2nd December – Walk-in Session from 3.00pm to 3.30pm

Wednesday 11th December – Christmas performance at St Leonard's – 2.00pm

Thursday 12th December – Christmas performance at St Leonard's – 6.00pm

Monday 16th December – Cinderella at the Everyman Theatre, Cheltenham

Wednesday 18th December – School Christmas lunch

Friday 20th December – Christingle Service at St Leonard's Church – 9.15am

Friday 20th December – End of term

Monday 6th January – First day of term for children