

## Parents' Update Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Dear Parents and Carers,

There is a lot to tell you about this week – please read on:

**Christmas Fair** - Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Fair on Friday. We had a wonderful time and raised an amazing £1,400 for our school fund. Our raffle was a great success, see below to check if you are a winner. Prizes are available to be collected from the school office:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Hoverboard – Bagshaw family
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - £30 Amazon voucher – Dolly
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - £30 Ziggy's voucher – Filip
- 4<sup>th</sup> Prize - £25 Chill Factore voucher – Ethan A
- 5<sup>th</sup> Prize – Blue Planet Aquarium family day out – Ana Maria
- 6<sup>th</sup> Prize – Jodrell Bank family day out – Molly M
- 7<sup>th</sup> Prize – Slattery's afternoon tea for two – Dolly
- 8<sup>th</sup> Prize – Victor Lindelof signed photo – Aria
- 9<sup>th</sup> Prize – Wine Hamper – Charlie D
- 10<sup>th</sup> Prize - Pamper Hamper – Cian S
- 11<sup>th</sup> Prize – Christmas Hamper – Autumn
- 12<sup>th</sup> Prize – The Snowman Peglegs Book Set – Lenny
- 13<sup>th</sup> Prize - The Snowman Peglegs Book Set – Amy Jane
- 14<sup>th</sup> Prize – Christmas Peglegs Book Set – Jack P
- 15<sup>th</sup> Prize – Christmas Peglegs Book Set – Emmie C
- 16<sup>th</sup> Prize – Christmas Peglegs Book Set – Luke R
- 17<sup>th</sup> Prize – Christmas Peglegs Book Set – Alyssa V
- 18<sup>th</sup> Prize – Biscuit Hamper – Amberly
- 19<sup>th</sup> Prize - £10 Smyths Voucher – James T
- 20<sup>th</sup> Prize - £10 Vue Cinema Voucher – Kendra
- 21<sup>st</sup> Prize - £10 Waterstones Voucher – Aria
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Royal Jelly Toiletry Set – Abaz
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Ivory Hart Toiletry Set – Aaliyah

Choir – our wonderful Choir are having a very busy time. On Monday they sang at the Hidden Gem in Manchester, today they have brought festive music and cheer to the Allendale Care Home and next week they will be singing at Each Step Care Home too!!

### Upcoming Events

Fri	09/12/2022	KS1 Performance for parents 9.30am. Please note we can only accommodate 2 adults per child.
Thurs	15/12/2022	KS2 Carol Service at Church 2pm
Fri	16/12/2022	Christmas jumper day and Pupils Christmas Lunch
Tues	20/12/2022	Santa Dash – Christmas dressing up day. Please click here to download a sponsor form (paper copies will also be sent out.
Weds	21/12/22	Break up at 1.30pm – Please show your respect to our hardworking staff by collecting your children on time.

**Santa Dash** - On Tuesday 20th December we will be having a sponsored 'Santa Dash' around the playground. Your child can come into school dressed in something Christmas related and their trainers. Each class will have a session of running or walking around the playground, seeing how many laps they can do in half an hour. Please sponsor your child and ask friends and family to sponsor them too. Please send the money and sponsor form back into school by Wednesday 21st December in a sealed envelope. We will send a paper copy of the form home but you can download the form here too.

**Women's Superleague Football** – We have 10 pairs of tickets to give away for the Manchester City vs Manchester United match at the Etihad this Sunday, please click here if you are interested in going.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1s\\_Uv80xSDyuZNpd87970U6uS33Ce5IArV4NIIX-Z27w/edit](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1s_Uv80xSDyuZNpd87970U6uS33Ce5IArV4NIIX-Z27w/edit)

Parish Christmas Fair – is taking place on Saturday at 1pm at the St John Bosco Parish Hall on Charlestown Road. Father Christmas will be attending and there are lots of great stalls including a chocolate tombola, toys and the big raffle!

**School Milk** – Our school provides a milk scheme that is available to all of our pupils and we would like to invite you to register your child. We are currently changing providers. School milk is free for under-5s, and for over-5s it is available at a subsidised\* price of 28p per day.

If you wish your child to have school milk, please register. Each child that registers with Cool Milk will receive a 189ml portion of semi-skimmed milk every day, delivered fresh and chilled to the classroom. Their school milk will not only provide them with essential nutrients, but as it is rehydrating and energy boosting it also bridges the gap between breakfast and lunch to help children stay focused. For more information on how milk can benefit children visit [www.coolmilk.com/why-milk-is-great](http://www.coolmilk.com/why-milk-is-great) To register for school milk go to [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com)

### **Information for Families from Manchester City Council**

Strep A - Please see the attached letter from the UK Health Security Agency. They are writing to inform you of a recent national increase in infections caused by a bacteria called Group A Streptococcus. Click here to see the letter from UK Health Security Agency. Click here to see Manchester City Council's leaflet about the symptoms.

**Healthy Start** - Please see the attached leaflet and link to website for the [Healthy Start Scheme](#) (help to buy food and milk for those who are pregnant and those with children under 4) - please share where relevant with employees, parents and carers.

**Winterwise** - The Greater Manchester Ageing Hub has partnered with national older person's charity Independent Age to launch **Winterwise**, a new guide with key information for older people on cost-of-living support with messages focusing on three themes i.e. '**Stay warm**' – Providing information about the financial support that older people could access to help them with rising energy costs. '**Stay safe**' – Focusing on home safety advice for older people, including fire safety, how to spot and report scams, and what to do if they fall. '**Stay well**' – Tips and advice on mental health and wellbeing, eating well and keeping active.

Cost of Living –

- Manchester City Councils Cost of Living Advice Line 0800 023 2692, a free telephone line available between 9am and 4.30pm Monday to Friday, or by online form at <https://www.manchester.gov.uk/coladvice>, offering Manchester residents support with benefits, debt, bills, food and support to access the internet.
- Manchester City Council information about [Council support for those in financial difficulty](#)
- Information on wider support - [Help with the cost of living crisis | Manchester City Council](#)

**Magic Breakfast** – As you know we take part in the Magic Breakfast project, through which we are able to provide free bagels to all our children each day. They would be grateful if parents would complete this short survey:  
<https://surveys.garesearch.co.uk/magicbreakfastparent.asp>

Thanks for reading this far. Some of the items on this newsletter are a bit heavy going, please be assured we are full of Christmas spirit and having a lovely time in school!

Please contact the office