

# FRIENDS OF BUSBRIDGE CofE JUNIOR SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAYRE NEWSLETTER

# Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 12pm – 2pm

Our annual Christmas Fayre will be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December and plans are well underway for what always proves to be a fun event and the perfect place to do some Christmas shopping. We hope the Fayre will be a good start to the Christmas period and you enjoy the festivities we have planned.

We are very grateful for the massive team effort by everyone to put this fun event on, which is traditionally one of our largest fund-raising events of the year.

Just to give you a taste of what to expect, the Fayre will include a Secret Shopping room (no parent zone!), Santa's Grotto, Christmas Craft/Games Room, Handmade Christmas wreaths, external gift stalls, Reduce, Reuse and Recycle stall, Carol Singing and much more.

The School have kindly offered to support the **mufti days** in exchange for donations for the stalls and they are as follows:

## Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November (please note date changed from Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November): Gifts for Children's Secret Shopping Room

# 3B Children's wrapped sweets for the Friends to bag up (none that contain nuts please)

- 3W Adults wrapped sweets for the Friends to bag up
- Year 4 approx 3-5 pocket money gifts suitable for children e.g. colouring pencils, putty, stationary...
- Year 5 approx 3-5 pocket money gifts suitable for ladies e.g. bubble bath, nail polish...
- Year 6 approx 3-5 pocket money gifts suitable for men e.g. shower gel, socks, keyrings...

# Friday 22nd November: Bottle & Jar Tombola

All year groups – bottles (alcohol, cordial, soft drinks), jars, preserves. If the item is homemade please label it including when it was made and if possible, include the ingredients. This is to ensure that people with allergies are aware of what is in the produce. Thank you.

### Friday 29th November: Luxury Hamper Raffle

All year groups - luxury non-perishable items for hampers (alcohol, biscuits, crackers, tea/coffee, chutney/jams, chocolates, shortbread, Christmas puddings, panettone, stollen, Christmas crackers, napkins etc..)

## Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December: Sweetie Tombola & Cake Stall

- Years 3 & 4 Cakes and Christmas Bakes
- Years 5 & 6 Sweets for Sweetie Tombola (none that contain nuts please)

# **Christmas Raffle**

Very soon you will find in your child's book bag two books of raffle tickets. It would be fantastic if you could try to sell these tickets to friends and family. Please return all money, ticket stubs and unsold tickets to school office by **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December**. If anyone has a raffle prize they would like to donate, please get in touch. The raffle will take place at 2pm in the school hall. Extra tickets are available, please email <u>bjsvicechair@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk</u>

#### Year 3 Pedlars

Every year the Year 3 children can have the opportunity to become a pedlar for the day at the Christmas Fayre. Dressed up and with a tray selling irresistible goodies, they start in the hall and then walk around the Fayre marketing their wares. This is an optional activity for the children as it's in addition to bringing in donations for the muftis. More information to follow for Year 3s.

#### Wreaths

Come along and help us make the wreaths to be sold at the Fayre. It's really enjoyable and absolutely no artistic flair needed as Vic Hicks will give a quick lesson and hey presto, many beautiful wreaths are made! We need lots of greenery for the wreaths along with some helping hands on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December** from 9am in the Church Centre. Please email if you are able to provide some greenery or are going to come along and join us vic.hicks@gmail.com.

#### **Reduce, Reuse, Recycle**

This will be a second-hand toy and book stall, aimed at reusing any toys and books (age 3+) in good condition which are ready for a new home, rather than being thrown away. Our Eco Warriors are championing this initiative and have suggested this stall as a way to support environmental concerns!

This is the perfect opportunity to have a clear out before Christmas of all those toys and books that are no longer wanted. There will be a box in Reception for donations from **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November**.

#### **Christmas Puddings**

This year we will be selling a range of luxury puddings and biscuits, including Christmas, Sticky Toffee, Luxury Chocolate, Zingy Lemon puddings and Christmas Tree Gingerbread and all butter shortbread. The packaging will be Busbridge Junior School branded and should make ideal gifts!

#### Help on the Day

Every class is organising and manning at least one stall. Class Reps will soon be circulating rotas for the stalls – please do help them by signing up for a slot.

#### **Gift Stalls**

We have some fantastic external gift stalls this year that have some unique stocking fillers and larger gifts for that someone special.

Confirmed stalls to date: **Monika Dyna** – Wooden Toys & More **Flamingo Paperie** – <u>www.flamingopaperie.co.uk</u> **Usborne books** – Catherine Garner **Caroline Burton** – Handmade crafts – Fimo jewellery, Christmas Cards, decorations

#### **Eco warriors**

In the spirit of being as environmentally friendly as possible, please can bring your own travel cups if you think you will want a hot drink (including mulled wine). Recyclable cups will be available too, but it would set a great precedent – and example to the children – if we could try to use travel cups instead.

#### **Payments**

Please note that we now have card readers on some stalls so please bring card and cash.

