



Meadow View Primary School

November 2016

Dates for December

- Monday 28th November – 9am Community Café
Thursday 1st December – School Xmas Fair 3.15pm
Tuesday 6th December – FS Nativity 9.15am
- Y1&2 Christmas Play 2.15pm
- Community Carol Service 6pm
Wednesday 7th December – Y1&2 Christmas Play 9.15am
- Christmas Dinner Day
Thursday 8th December – FS Nativity 2.15pm
Monday 12th December – Y3-6 Carol Concert 2.30pm
Tuesday 13th December – Y3-6 Xmas parties (pm)
Wednesday 14th December – Y1&2 Xmas parties (pm)
Thursday 15th December – FS Xmas parties (pm)
Friday 16th December – Break up for holiday at 3.15pm

Christmas Holiday Dates

- Monday 19th December to Monday 2nd January 2017**
Tuesday 3rd January – INSET (Twilight payback)
Wednesday 4th January – INSET (Teaching and Learning)
Children return to school on Thursday 5th January 2017



Thank you to all children and parents who contributed to Children in Need. We raised £351.27 with the bun sale, dressing up, colouring competition and other activity organised by family and friends. Thank you to all who donated. Children In Need has been our chosen charity this term so we will not be raising money on Christmas Jumper Day. However, if you have bought a jumper or t-shirt, you can wear it on Christmas Dinner Day which is Wednesday 7th December.

E-Safety at Christmas

With the Christmas countdown already in full swing, you will probably be getting hints from your children on what they would like to open on December 25th.

Many Christmas lists will probably include electronic devices such as tablets, smartphones or games consoles. Below are some hints to ensure that your child is able to use these devices safely.

- * Go onto the settings section where you can restrict or disable features so your children cannot download unsuitable applications or content e.g. videos. A good site to support you with setting controls is: <http://www.internetmatters.org/>
- * Make sure that the account on the tablet is set up by a parent or carer, so that they can authorise content that is downloaded. This is important if they want to download any additional content called 'In App Purchases' (IAP).
- * Look at the age ratings for applications as some might not be suitable for your child. The same goes for access to popular sites such as You Tube, Snapchat and Facebook.
- * Talk to your children about using cameras and video chat facilities. If someone acts inappropriately, then make sure they tell you immediately. Also, ensure they use these features sensibly and don't take unsuitable images and share them with people they don't know.

Turnover for more information



**THE SALVATION ARMY
Presents....**



"Christmas Crackers!"



FREE ENTRY

ALL WELCOME



Community Carol Service

6 pm Tuesday 6th December

Meadow View Primary School

Meadowhall Road, Kimberworth, Rotherham S61 2JD



Donations in support of:

Special Care Baby Unit (SCBU)

NHS Rotherham Hospital



Featuring:

The Triple 'A' Puppet Team

Meadow View School Choir

Carols with The Salvation Army Band

A surprise visitor....!

Come along to our Community Carol Service at Meadow View hosted by the Salvation Army.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Our Christmas Fair is Thursday 1st December at 3.15pm.

Classes have been working hard to plan, design and make items to sell. We also welcome donations of toys, books, and tombola prizes. We will also be having a cake and bun stall.

Please donate toys, books or tombola prizes to the office – Thank you

Please donate any buns or cake on the morning of the Fair to the office – Thank you

Community Café on Monday 28th November at 9.00am is talking more about E-safety. Come along for more information from our Anti-bullying Officer!

E-Safety at Christmas continued....

* If you are buying a smartphone for your child, talk to the mobile provider about parental controls. These might not be automatically switched on, so you may need to look at the provider's website for support.

* Games consoles such as Xbox's and Playstations are very popular with primary aged children. The key issue with video games is the suitability of a number of titles as they are rated in the same way as films. Therefore, major releases before Christmas such as Call of Duty: Black Ops III (rated 16), Fallout 4 (rated 18), Star Wars – Battlefront (rated 16) all have 16+ ratings. A useful site to find about the content of games can be found here: <http://gamesratingauthority.org/GRA/>



Did you know that research shows that children who play games where ratings are for older children, not only can it affect their behaviour – it can affect their mental health in their teen age years and/or later in life.

Unfortunately, primary schools are currently dealing with these issues now! It's not just a teenage issue!