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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 23rd November	Parent meetings 4pm - 6pm
Wednesday 30th November	Parent meetings 4pm - 6pm
Saturday 3rd December	Christmas Fair
Wednesday 7th December	Christmas Lunch at Fairlawn
Friday 9th December	Year 3/4 choir - Christmas Concert at Bristol Cathedral
Monday 12th December	EYFS Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 13th December	Christmas Panto at School
Wednesday 14th December	Christmas Party
Wednesday 14th December	PTA Christmas Drinks - The Flyer 8pm
Thursday 15th December	Christmas Concert at CGS. Two performances. 1:30pm and 2:30pm
Friday 16th December	Last day of term. Children will finish at 1pm
Tuesday 3rd January	Inset Day
Wednesday 4th January	School returns
Monday 13th - Friday 17 February	Half term
Friday 31st March	School finishes for Easter. Children will finish at 1pm
Monday 3rd - Friday 7th April	Inset Days for moving into the new school
Monday 24th April	Inset Day - families will be invited to view the new school (more details to follow)
Tuesday 25th April	School starts

Dear Families,

Rehearsals for our Christmas production have started and we have put all the dates on the website. This is a really busy time of year so please check the website for important dates.

We also need to let our families know that it is with a heavy heart, we will be saying goodbye to Ms De Wetering at February half term. She will be returning to Canada for personal reasons. She wanted you all to know that she has loved her time at the school and the supportive staff and families that will see it flourish.

Heather Beach
Acting Head of School

North Bristol Food Bank Christmas Collection

From the week of 28 November we are organising a food collection for the North Bristol Food Bank at both the Dolphin and Fairlawn school sites. Information will be circulated to families before this regarding which items would be welcome in the run up to Christmas and where to drop off your donations.

Many thanks in anticipation for your donations. They will be very much appreciated.

Ms Roberts

Christmas Fair

Saturday 3rd December

10am - 2pm at

the Dolphin School, Cheltenham Road

We need lots of volunteers to make this fair fabulous! Please sign up with your class rep, or email us at pta@dolphinschool.bristol.sch.uk (with "volunteer" in the title please). There are 4 x hour long slots, to help run the cakes and refreshments, kids' craft area, face painting, or games. No experience necessary! We will also need teams to help set up in the morning and clear up at the end. We also desperately need pine cones! Please bring in any (whole ones) you can find, leave them in the office at either site.

Lastly we are holding craft workshops at the Wednesday coffee mornings: please come along and join us, very simple jobs, preparing things for the big day, and having fun! Discover your hidden creative side.

You can order Christmas trees by going to <https://dolphinschoolpta.wufoo.com/forms/christmas-tree-orders-2016/>

More info to follow next week.....

Medical Appointments

Please be aware that you should make every effort to arrange Doctor/Dentist appointments outside of school time. If this is not possible absences will be authorised on provision of an appointment card or note from the Doctor. Any absences where this is not provided will be unauthorised. For absences for any other reason a Request for Absence form must still be completed.



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Your Chance to Vote on Spending Some PTA Funding

All the money raised by Dolphin School PTA (we're all members!) goes to benefit our school. We invited the school to suggest what equipment for the playground would benefit Dolphin children in the under-equipped playground at the Fairlawn site now and be taken to the new school site when we all move there.

One of the things which our children love is dancing so the school has asked for PTA funds for a sound system that is suitable for use in the playground. The school believes this would make the playground a much nicer space and is also in line with what the children have asked for.

We could also use it for school and PTA events - perhaps starting with the Christmas fair!

On Monday the school emailed an invitation to vote <https://goo.gl/84VZof> on this proposed purchase, and some of you have asked for more information before you vote. The cost would be approximately £600 from PTA funds currently approaching £5500. We hope to use other funds in the future to help equip the playground at the new site. Any suggestions for future expenditure from parents would be most welcome (pta@dolphinschool.bristol.sch.uk).

