

**Piddle Valley CE First School**  
**Newsletter No.3** **November 2016**

Parent Teacher Consultation Evenings

Once again we have had good attendance at our recent parent / teacher meetings and I thank both the parents and staff for investing time in this process.

Here at Piddle Valley CE First School we promote an 'open door' policy and welcome opportunities to discuss and share all aspects of your child's learning and school life. If at any time you feel the need to raise a concern or just want to come and find out how your son/daughter is getting on in school, please come and speak to the class teacher at a time convenient to you both. I am also always happy to talk through concerns so please come and make an appointment.

With the increase in technology these days it is easy for us to find other avenues to express ourselves but I am very much of the 'old school' – issues can only really be resolved through good 'old fashion' communication between the school and our parents. So please do come and see us!

Parking

Please remember to keep the entrance of the school free from cars - please refrain from parking in front of the main playground gates at any time. This area is reserved for buses and the taxi at the start and end of the school day.

Many thanks

*Are you looking for that special Christmas gift for a loved one? Come and buy one of our lovely school tea towels or even a tote decorated with the faces of our wonderful children and staff here at Piddle Valley. Tea towels and totes cost £4.00 each. To find out more come and take a look outside the school office. Either would be a truly wonderful gift for any grandparent, Auntie or Uncle!*

***Dates for November and December 2016***

- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov. - Bikeability for Yr 3/4 – 1:00 – 3:00pm
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov. - Owls to the Odeon cinema to watch 'Pete's Dragon'
  - Year 1 and 2 to multi skills festival
  - Bikeability for Yr 3/4 - 1:00 – 3:00pm
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Nov. Open Morning 9:00 am to 12 noon – All welcome
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. – Children In Need – Fancy dress theme; **spots!** Please make a donation.
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov – Anti bullying workshop at Milborne St Andrew
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov. – Theatre visit for Year 1 and 2 'The Great Fire of London'
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. – Wear home clothes and donate £1.00 to the Calais refugees.
- Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. – GTAT tree planting ceremony at Piddle Valley at 1:15 pm. All welcome.
- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. – PTA Christmas Fair 7:30pm to 9:00pm
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec.- Chartwells Christmas lunch
- PTA Christmas disco 4pm to 6pm in the school hall
- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. – Preschool and Robins Christmas nativity – 9:45 am in the school hall
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. – Yr. 1 to Yr. 4 Christmas Performance – 1:45 pm and 6:00 pm
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec. – Weymouth Pantomime - £6.00 each
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Service at **Piddletrenthide** Church 9:30 am
- Christmas party lunch
- School finishes for the Christmas holidays at 3:15pm. After school club will be available as usual.

Back in the summer term... Thank you for the Sainsbury tokens you collected for the school. We were able to buy new 'huff and puff' equipment for the playtime boxes. The pom poms are very popular ...especially with the staff!