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19<sup>th</sup> November 2021

#### AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

MON 22<sup>nd</sup> NOV: no clubs TUES 23rd NOV: P4-7 Football (£2.50)-4pm WED 24<sup>th</sup> NOV: P4-7 Hockey (£2.50)3.50pm Piano lessons THURS 25th NOV: no clubs 

Last day of HOCKEY will be 1<sup>st</sup> Dec Last day of **FOOTBALL** will be 7<sup>th</sup> Dec

## **BEST WISHES**

Best wishes to our P7 pupils who sit the first of their 3 AQE papers on Saturday morning. We will be thinking about you all!

## CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND COFFEE

While we still are unable to invite you into school to watch Christmas performances, we are hoping to be able to have an outdoor sing-a-long for parents and friends on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December from 2-2.30pm. All children will be taking part. Parents and friends are invited to wrap up warm and come and listen to the children performing in the playground. All classes will also be taking part in our school recording of the "Christmas Story". We will share this with you on seesaw.

TREE PLANTING

We welcomed Mervyn Storey, MLA, and members of our Board of Governors to school today to help our Eco Committee and School Council plant a cherry tree as part of the 'School Trees Programme', celebrating 100 years of Northern Ireland. This is part of a NI wide project to provide a lasting and important natural legacy for generations to come.

# PTA SELLING TOAST AT BREAK TIME

The PTA are selling toast at break time every day next week. One slice of toast costs 20p. This money can be paid on a daily or weekly basis to class teachers. Toast will be sold in class bubbles.

# OPEN MORNING APPOINTMENTS

We plan to offer open morning appointments for prospective parents on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December. If you know anyone who would like to send their child to school in September, please ask them to contact school to book an appointment to see around.

#### PTA CINEMA NIGHT

We had previously mentioned a Christmas fun afternoon for our pupils. This is now going to be a Cinema night in school. It is being held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December from 6pm-7.30pm. The cost is £2.50 per child. The PTA are organising treats for the night which are included in the cost! Children can come dressed for bed and can bring additional items with them to cosy up with eg a blanket/ dressing gown/ teddy etc. Children will be watching the DVD in their classrooms, in class bubbles and should be left off and collected from their own buildings. Money can be sent up until 6<sup>th</sup> December in a sealed envelope, clearly marked with your child's name/s and what the money is for. We won't be giving out tickets this year. The children will be supervised by school staff.

There will be no homework on the Monday night. 😌