

The Pochin School Newsletter 25th November 2022

Dear Parents, Governors and Friends,

Thank you to all the parents, friends and family who attended our Stirring the Pudding Service in the church. It was lovely to see everyone taking part in the school traditions that make The Pochin School so unique. We would like to thank again Eva and Shanneya who played the piano and the cello during the service. They were amazing.

In school everyone is starting to get ready for the Christmas plays and it is wonderful to hear the children singing around the school. I have had some great conversations with children about many different aspects of school life and listening to their viewpoints. The children really demonstrate a positive attitude to everyone and see the wonderful richness of our community with our many different faiths, cultures and languages represented at school as a real advantage. They expressed how much they have enjoyed taking part and learning about their friend's cultures and beliefs. They have strong opinions about equality and fighting stereotypes in and outside of school. I was impressed yesterday when a year one boy said that at breaktime he was not sure who to play with and was feeling a little lonely. As he looked around another child immediately came up to him and asked if he wanted to play as he noticed he was not playing with anyone. This young boy wanted to tell me how kind the other boy was and that he was being a good example of kindness, a Pochin value. I thought it was wonderful how our pupils try to look out for each other and want to celebrate when they see others doing acts of kindness.

PTA Disco - 1st December

A reminder that this week is the PTA Christmas disco. Please see PTA correspondence for more information.

Christmas Jumper Day - 9th December

On Friday the 9th of December we have our Christmas Dinner. On this day we also allow children to come to school in a Christmas Jumper over their school uniform. We will continue this tradition this year but with a little twist. If parents wish to recycle any old jumpers and jazz them up to look like a Christmas jumper or take an older Christmas jumper and spruce it up, we feel this would be more environmentally friendly, and could also add an element of fun as children become creative. There will also be a prize for the best homemade/spruced up Christmas jumper!

<u>School Surveys</u>

We would like to thank parents for supporting the school by offering their valuable views in the surveys, these help the school shape future decisions. Below are the links to survey summary outcomes that are on the school website - Latest news - News - Questionnaires.

 Parents
 Evening
 Feedback
 https://www.pochin.bepschools.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/22/2022/11/Parents-Evening-Survey-November-2022.pdf

 Parents
 Survey
 Feedback
 https://www.pochin.bepschools.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/22/2022/11/Parents-Survey-August-2022.pdf

 Sports
 Day
 Parents
 Feedback
 https://www.pochin.bepschools.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/22/2022/11/Parents-Survey-August-2022.pdf

<u>Play Tickets-</u>reminder to all parents to ensure they have handed back to the main office their forms with the number of tickets they wish for the different performances. All children are expected to attend all performances.

Diary Dates

December: 1st - PTA Disco 6-7:30pm 5th - Class 3 + 4 Bosworth Educational Visit 5th - KS1 Christmas Play 2pm & 5pm 6th - Tales from the Rocking Chair workshop 6th - Class 2 Brussel Sprout picking 8th - Class 3 Christmas Play 5pm 9th - Christmas Dinner Day 9th - Christmas Jumper Day 12th - Beauty and the Beast Panto 14th - Christmas Service in Church 9am 16th - School closes for Christmas holidays

Head Teacher Awards

The following children have worked extremely hard and this has been celebrated by the pupils receiving awards in front of their peers.

Verity, Aria, Siyana, Batul, Josh, Shanneya, Eva





Cultures Celebrated within our School Language of the Month - Gujarati British Value of the term - Mutual Respect Pochin Value of the Month - Honesty



Next week School Dinners Week 1 2 main choices with sides, bread and dessert

Mon – Cheesy Swirl with New Potatoes / Tomato Pasta Tue – Vegi or Pork Meat Balls with Pasta in a tomato sauce – requested by children Wed – Roast of the Day with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy / Crunchy Top Veg Bake with Roast Potatoes Thur – Burger (Chicken or Vegan) with Toppings and Potato Wedges Fri – Fishfingers or Salmon with Chips / Cheese Omelette with Chips