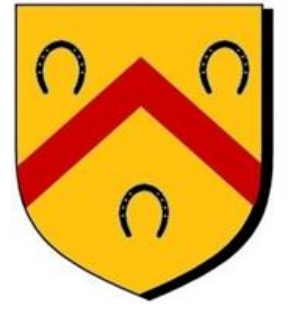




# The Pochin School

## Newsletter 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023



Dear Parents, Governors and Friends

Thank you to all the parents that attended the school's Harvest Festival. It was wonderful to see so many family and friends from our community. Everyone was so generous with their offerings for the food bank. The children all presented their presentations well and I think class 5's poem on using a food bank really touched many of us. Please see the pictures below if you were unable to attend.

### Autumn Fair - 7<sup>th</sup> October 11-2pm

We are excited that the PTA will be running their annual Autumn Fair tomorrow. We hope many of our family and friends can attend. The tombola stall looks like it will have the most amazing prizes on it as the children have brought in some amazing items in exchange for a Dress Down day today.

### Whole school PTA Xmas cards competition - 13<sup>th</sup> October

Earlier in the week and by today all children should have brought home the traditional Christmas Card Art work. If you wish to purchase cards and gift tags with your child's design on please ensure you have returned these to school by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. Those children going to Min Y Don please return on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October before you leave for your trip.

### School Trips

We are looking forward to our first residential trips taking place next week and also our first whole school trip. Can I please ask parents to ensure they have read all the letters/kit lists/ medication forms before the trips. Pictures from the trips will be uploaded to the school website as soon as possible. Please bear with us if pictures are not up as soon as you wish as we are aware internet connection are very poor in the locations we are visiting.

### Help Shape the Future for our Children!

The Children's Commissioner for England has recently launched 'The Big Ambition' to hear directly from children, young people, and parents across the country. This is an opportunity to hear from all children, in every part of the country and in every setting. The survey will be used to encourage policymakers to think about children and young people's needs, to ensure children's voices are reflected in the decisions that will affect them in years to come. Schools play a critical role in enabling them to hear from as many children and young people as possible. That is why we are encouraging all our families to take part and let their children have their say on what is important to them!

To find out more head to [The Big Ambition page](https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition). To take part in The Big Ambition survey visit: [www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition](https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition).

## 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.

**Kacper, Keshav, Shray, Jordelle, Mikhil, Rosie**



## Diary Dates

### October:

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> - PTA Autumn Fair 11-2pm  
 Mon-Fri 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> - Min Y Don Year 5 Residential  
 Thu 12<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> - Beaumanor Year 4 Residential  
 Thu 12<sup>th</sup> - Whole School Trip

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> - Half Term Holidays**

23<sup>rd</sup> - STAYING SAFE WEEK  
 24<sup>th</sup> - Warning Zone Class 5 trip  
 26<sup>th</sup> - School Disco 6-7:30pm

### November:

Wed 1<sup>st</sup> - Parents Evening  
 Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> - Parents Evening  
 Tue 7<sup>th</sup> - School Pictures  
 Fri 10<sup>th</sup> - Diwali Celebration Day  
 Tue 21<sup>st</sup> - Stirring the Pudding Service 9am  
 Thu 30<sup>th</sup> - Year 6 WWII day in school

### December:

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> - Flu vaccine  
 14<sup>th</sup> - Year 3 Nativity  
 15<sup>th</sup> - Whole school Panto visit  
 18<sup>th</sup> - KS1 Nativity  
 20<sup>th</sup> - Whole School Christmas Service  
 21<sup>st</sup> - Whole School Christmas Lunch  
 21<sup>st</sup> - School Christmas Disco 6-7:30pm

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

**Mon** - Pizza with wedges  
**Tue** - Chicken and Bean/ Vegetable Pasta Bake  
**Wed** - Roast of the Day/ Potato and Broccoli Layer Bake  
**Thur** - Jacket potato with choice of filling  
**Fri** - Sausages/ veggie Sausages with chips

Jacket potatoes available. (please email the office by 9am Monday to order for the week ahead stating which date and filling your child would like)

**Cultures Celebrated within our School**  
 British Value of the Term  
 Democracy  
 Pochin Value of the Term  
 Perseverance





Big apologies to class 5. Their picture of them performing their poem has become corrupted.