1st December 2015

Dear Parents/Carers

The term is whizzing by! Christmas activities are planned and underway!

School Sports Awards

On Friday a team of staff attended the Merseyside Sports Awards in Liverpool. We had been nominated for ‘Primary School of the Year.’ PE is and continues to be a huge focus at Orrets Meadow and practice here has been highlighted in an Ofsted HMI Report on PE funding. Unfortunately we did not win, however to be nominated for the award is a great achievement for the school.

End of term Christmas Service/Achievement Assembly

On Thursday 17th December we will be holding our annual Christmas Service at Christ Church in Moreton (just off Moreton roundabout on the right going towards the motorway turn off). The service will start at 9.15, with children being dropped off by their escorts at church for 9am. All parents and carers are welcome to join us at church.

After church we all go back to school for our end of term assembly, where cups and certificates of achievement will be given out. There will be mince pies and coffee on sale and several Christmas stalls on offer, including bottle tombola (non-uniform day on the 11th for children to bring a bottle in), smellies tombola, reindeer dust, school magazine and the an auction of items. Details of the auction and items will be sent out in a separate letter. The celebration morning will be finished by approximately 11.30am.

Coffee Morning for Parents

Several parents have requested a coffee morning where speakers can be invited and experiences about their children can be shared. Our first one is on Monday 7th December at 9.30am at Orrets Meadow. Steve Vasey from Autism Together will be the guest speaker. Please let the office know if you are attending. Paddi, our Home School Link Worker looks forward to you attending.

**Christmas Activities**

* Christmas trees will be going home for children to decorate at home. It will be £1 to enter the competition and the winner from each class will win a prize!
* Non-uniform day on the 11th and in return we ask for children to bring in a bottle for the bottle tombola.
* Christmas Hamper – raffle tickets will be sent home to win a hamper stocked full of goodies – the winner will be announced at the end of term assembly.
* Auction – we have several prizes to be auctioned off at the end of time assembly, including Knowsley Safari tickets, Tranmere tickets, Bubbles tickets, restaurant vouchers, Champagne…….

All money raised will go to school funds to purchase a minibus as we are the only special school without one on Wirral.

**Dates for the diary**

* 2nd December – Classes 1 and 4 – Christmas Workshop
* 7th December – Parents’ Coffee morning @ 9.30am
* 8th December – **PTA meeting @ 4pm** – All welcome
* 11th December – Non Uniform Day – Bring a bottle for the tombola!
* 11th December – Classes 3,6,7 – Christmas experience @ Moreton Methodist
* 11th December – OM v Christchurch, Moreton football match
* 14th and 16th December – Classes will be doing Computer Aided Design workshops
* 15th December – Christmas dinner at school
* 15th December – End of term team reward – cinema trip!
* 17th December – Christmas service followed by end of term achievement assembly
* 18th December – Aladdin Pantomine is coming to school!! (Oh yes it is!!)
* 18th December – Finish for Xmas holidays
* **Monday 4th January – School reopens for Spring Term.**

Thanks for your continued support

C Duncan