



Livingstone Newsletter

24th November 2023

Star of the Week:

Nursery: Isla

Reception: Remy

Year 1: Tobias

Year 2: Jack

Year 3: Ava

Year 4: Zak

Year 5: Bella

Year 6: Jake

Clubs:

No history club next week due to a clash with Parents' Evening. No Y1/2 multi-sports or sewing club either because Miss Willard and Mr Flint have another meeting on Thursday.

Year 3 visit to the Methodist church:

Year 3 will be going up to the Mossley Methodist church on the afternoon of Tuesday 28th November. They will go after lunch and be back by home time. They will be joining in with the Methodist church's 'Christmas Experience'. Please make sure they have coats with hood on this day in case of rain. Thank you.

Year 6 Mayan Cookery session:

Year 6 will be doing their design technology for this half term up at Mossley Hollins on Monday 4th December. Half of the children will go in the morning and half of the children will go in the afternoon. You should have had a letter already about drop off and collection arrangements. They will be using the food technology rooms at Mossley Hollins to cook a meal inspired by Mayan foods under the instruction of a food technology teacher.

Christmas Dinner

This year we will be having our school Christmas dinner on Friday 8th December. If your child would like a Christmas dinner, this needs to be ordered on School Spider by 30th November. If a Christmas dinner is not ordered, your child will need to bring a packed lunch on this day as there will be no other menu choices available. An order needs to be made for every child who would like a Christmas dinner, regardless of whether they usually have a school dinner or bring a packed lunch. The cost of the meal is £2.95 to be paid through the Tameside council website – Please do not pay if your child is in Rec, Y1 or Y2 as these children are entitled to universal free school meals or if your child is eligible for free school dinners.

Christmas Fair Saturday 9th December 2023:

- Decorate a tin – choose a mystery tin and decorate it so that the tin is hidden or remains a mystery. A prize will be given for the best tin in each class. At the Christmas fair there will be a chance to win a mystery decorated tin. More information on the poster after the diary dates.
- We would like any donations of chocolates and bottles.
- We are also looking for **good as new** teddies, toys and books.
- We are also looking for any donations for raffle prizes.

Please donate anything you can as we would like to raise as much money for Friends of Livingstone as we are able to as it will all help benefit the school and help us to buy things we can't normally afford out of the school budget.

Nativity Tickets:

Please book your tickets for the Nativity performances on School Spider. There is a limit of three tickets per child across all performances for Nursery and Reception and five tickets per child across all performances for Y1&2. Please don't book any more than this. If you would like more, contact the office and we will add your request to a waiting list should there be unused tickets.

Reception Applications:

The portal for applications for Reception is now open. Please apply online for your child to have a place in school. The deadline is 15th January 2024.

Places for Nursery:

Places for Nursery for September 2024 are managed by us as a school so please get in contact and we will add you to the list. In fact, it's never too early to put your child's name down as we maintain ongoing lists for future years too!

Nuts:

Please could we remind parents that we are a nut free school. Please ensure you check the ingredients of any food that you are sending in your child's packed lunch & that you don't send anything that contains any kind of nuts or sesame. We have recently had children come to school with pesto, houmous, Nutella & hazelnut croissants. Please check ingredients carefully & leave it for at home if you are not sure.

Uniform Price Increase:

Due to increased prices that are being charged by our uniform suppliers, we have had to increase the cost of uniform sweatshirts and cardigans. New prices are given below:

Size 24" to 34" sweatshirts £9.80 cardigans £10.60

Size 36" to 38" sweatshirts £11.75 cardigans £12.30

We also continue to add any second hand uniform that we have donated to school spider and that is available to purchase with no cost. We will just send it home with your child.

Christmas Card orders:

The children should have received a leaflet and a sticker with details about a Christmas card project we have been involved with. Most children from nursery to year 6 have created a Christmas design and this has been uploaded to a website. This design can be reproduced onto cards, gift bags, candles, sweet jars, wrapping paper etc and make great gifts. To view your child's artwork please visit www.mychildsart.co.uk/order and select 'view school artwork'. Then enter the username and password below, please note that these are case sensitive.

Username = Livingstone

Password = wvicdpj1

Then search for your child/children's names or individual codes to view the design. Any products ordered and paid for online will be posted to your address directly and not via school. Livingstone Primary School will receive a small commission payment and this will be used towards the purchase of resources that all the children will benefit from. If you can't find your child's art work please contact your child's teacher to check if your child was absent on the day the pictures were created or contact My Child's Art directly on 01530887650. There is also an option to upload your own photograph or picture if your child hasn't created one.

After the Diary Dates, I have attached a few flyers and a Children's Commissioner survey link.

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 28th November: Year 3 to Methodist Church – Christmas Experience;

Parents' Evening 3.30pm – 6pm

Wednesday 29th November: Parents' Evening 4.30pm – 7pm

Monday 4th December: Year 6 Mayan Cookery session at MHHS

Friday 8th December: Christmas Dinner

Saturday 9th December: Christmas Fair 11-1.30pm

Monday 11th December: EYFS Nativity 9.30am;

Year 1 & 2 nativity 2pm

Tuesday 12th December: EYFS nativity 9.30am;

Year 1 & 2 nativity 2pm & 6pm

Thursday 14th December: EYFS party am;

Y1&2 and Y3&4 party pm

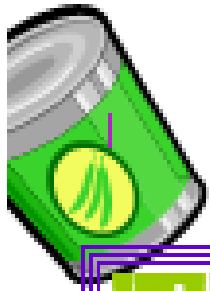
Friday 15th December: Carol concert 9.10am;

Y5&6 party pm; end of term 3.15pm

Monday 18th December – Monday 1st January 2024: Christmas holiday

Tuesday 2nd January 2024: Inset Training Day for Staff

Wednesday 3rd January 2024: Children return to school



Decorate A Tin



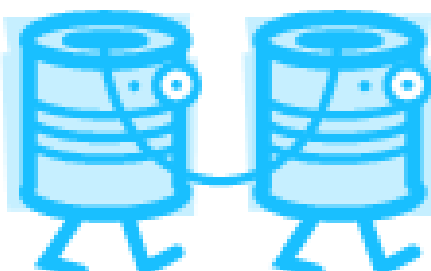
HELP YOUR CHILD DECORATE A MYSTERY TIN!

For the Christmas fair we're asking you and your child/children to bring in a decorated mystery tin (i.e. a tin of beans, jar of toffee or even a tube of Pringles) which will be displayed along the school corridors.

A prize will be given for the best decorated tins from each class.

On the day of the Christmas Fair (09/12/23) there will be an opportunity to win a mystery decorated tin.

It really is great fun and you'll be surprised, even amazed, at what you might win!





The Children's Commissioner for England has recently launched 'The Big Ambition' to hear directly from children, young people and parents across the country.

We want to hear from all children, in every part of the country and in every setting.

This is your chance to tell key policymakers what is important to you ahead of the general election. Take part now and ensure your needs are reflected in the decisions that will affect you in years to come.

Scan the QR code to
take part



 **CHILDREN'S
COMMISSIONER**

www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition



Festive Craft Fair

DURING CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON

AT MOSSLEY METHODIST CHURCH

20 + CRAFT STALLS

With beautiful crafted gift ideas

CERAMICS

CUPCAKES

FRESH BAKERY ITEMS

KNITTED GOODS AND LOTS MORE

4pm-7pm

**VISIT FATHER CHRISTMAS
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE**

**SATURDAY
25th NOVEMBER**