



I have a number of events to share with you, which will be happening this half term.

Firstly, the School Councillors decided to ask children to be 'spot-tacular' and wear spotty or brightly coloured clothes on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November, in return for bringing in £1, at least, to support the charity BBC Children in Need.

On 9<sup>th</sup> December, we will be supporting Save the Children, by encouraging families to send in a donation whilst wearing a Christmas jumper. We greatly appreciate your support for both these charities.

There are some upcoming staffing additions to Maple class. Mrs Nuttall has been appointed as the Teaching Assistant based in Maple, returning from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November. After Christmas, Mrs Newby will be reducing her days in school to three. She will be working in partnership with Mrs Holt, who has been on maternity leave, and is returning to work from January. We are really looking forward to this dynamic partnership leading Maple class together and to welcoming Mrs Holt back to work, including for a few days before Christmas.

Also from the Spring Term, Mrs Hudson and Mr Beck will be stepping into shared Assistant Head Teacher roles, to provide additional support to me with leading and managing the school.

Sadly, Mrs Geelan will be finishing at Christ Church and the other schools she has worked with for many years at the end of term, to pursue different projects and utilise her talents fully. We intend to give her a great send-off and wish her well for the huge impact she has made on our amazing music provision at CCW.

Mr Beesley (one of our grandparents) has offered to come into school to share his latest 'Christmas Cracker the Alpaca' story with the children in Years 1 to 3, during the afternoon of Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Copies of his book will be available on the day for £6.99, he will kindly be making a donation to school funds from any sales.

**If you have booked for your child to attend the performance of the Lion King at the Palace Theatre in Manchester on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December, the arrangements are as follows:**

**We will set off at 1pm, after having lunch as usual. The performance should finish around 5pm, we then have to return to the coaches and with traffic likely to be heavy, we expect to be back at school for 6.30pm. Please wait in the school grounds for our return.**

**The balance for the ticket must be paid by November 30<sup>th</sup> at the latest, in order for your child to take part in the visit.**

There are a number of children not attending the performance, members of staff will be working on activities, with the children during the afternoon. All children whether at the performance or not, will receive a drink and a treat to eat.



I have captured some key dates on the following table, further information will be sent out regarding Christmas performances and Friends events, in the next few weeks.

<b>Date 2022</b>	<b>Event</b>
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Spot-tacular non-uniform £1
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Larch class to Jorvik
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Mr Beasley reads with Y1-3
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Maple class to Quarry Bank Mill
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Oak to the Fire Safety Centre
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Lion King performance Early Years 'The Nativity' in the afternoon
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper day- Save the Children £1
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Choir perform at Hospice Carol Service, Bury Parish Church 7pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	KSI performance 'A Bundle of Joy' 9.30am
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	KSI performance 'A Bundle of Joy' 9.30am
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas Dinner
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Carol Service for school at Christ Church, in the afternoon (videos/clips will be shared with parents)
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Class Christmas parties
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	School term ends 2pm
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Spring Term starts

Finally, a reminder not to park on Collins Street (unadopted road by the chippy) as this blocks the residents' access. Please park considerately for all our neighbours.

We are looking forward to this busy, celebratory time of the school year,

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs S Howard