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Trust

...everyone in our Trust.

# "LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE"

Matthew 5:16

## Newsletter

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

This week's  
attendance  
**93.8%**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our last newsletter of 2022. It has been an incredibly busy term, with lots of visitors, trips and workshops for the children to enhance their curriculum provision. The staff and I are extremely proud of all the children at Northlew & Ashbury with their continued attitude, endurance and behaviour to learning they have demonstrated this term. This week we have enjoyed our Christmas jumper day, a delicious Christmas dinner, Christingle service and finished off the week with a great afternoon at the Northcott Theatre on Thursday to watch a performance of Robin Hood. A huge thank you to our PTFA for supporting the funding of this trip, the children and staff had a fantastic time.

### Christmas Dinner

Northlew had a delicious Christmas dinner on Wednesday, all the children were able to pull their Christmas crackers and tell their Christmas jokes creating a fantastic Christmassy feeling. The wonderful festive atmosphere spread with paper crowns, Christmas jumpers, Christmas songs and the Children were lucky enough to get a visit from Father Christmas as well! Thank you to all the families who donated money towards the Christmas Jumper day in aid of Save the Children, we were able to raise **£24.40**.





### New Menu

When we return in January the children will be able to choose meals from the Spring term

menu. We will begin on week 1. To view the choices available and allergen information, please click the following link [Spring Term Menu](#)



### After-School Clubs

Our after-school clubs

will begin for the spring term on the week beginning Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January from 3-4pm. Club booking will be open in School Gateway on the first week back following the school holidays for the following clubs

- Tuesday- Cooking Club
- Wednesday- OCRA- tbc
- Thursday- Martial Arts Club



Easy fundraiser is a simple way to help us **raise FREE money for our children.** By using the easy fundraising app & doing your usual online shopping we can get FREE donations from lots of big companies. It really is simple to do and will benefit our children & school greatly.

Please help Northlew & Ashbury PTFA. It only takes a moment and it's completely free, so please get involved if you haven't already!

**Click the link to sign up:**

[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?invite=dilgss&char=267200&referral-campaign=s2s&utm\\_campaign=refertowin\\_sept\\_22](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?invite=dilgss&char=267200&referral-campaign=s2s&utm_campaign=refertowin_sept_22)

### Supporting Workshops for Parents in Key Stage2



Our Community Safety Partnership has been working with a wide range of agencies to produce a toolkit to support parents of pre-teens (9-12 year olds). Online sessions through the Let's Talk Program will be available in January 2023.

As a partnership we have sight of data and intelligence that informs us what the key risks facing that age group are and the Let's Talk program is designed to increase parent/carers knowledge around the key risks whilst giving simple tools and techniques to help them support their child.

Tickets are free and available at [Let's Talk Pre-Teens](#).

The topics covered will be as follows:

#### **Tuesday 17th January 2023**

- Biology
- Difficult emotions
- Substance misuse

#### **Tuesday 24th January 2023**

- Relationships
- Exploitation
- Pornography
- Societal Stereotypes

#### **Tuesday 31st January 2023**

- Physical risks
- Safety planning
- Mental health
- Self-care



### **Christingle at the Church**

The children led a beautiful service at the Church on Wednesday afternoon, by sharing readings from the Bible, delivering prayers of thanks and lighting their own Christingles. It was wonderful to hear the Children share their understanding of what each part of the Christingle represents and to watch them light their candles in the Christingles which they had made. They also performed three of their favourite Christmas songs including 'Oh Holy Night', 'The Orange of Christingle' and 'The Lord's Prayer'. It was fantastic to be able to hold the service in the Church again this year. Thank you to everyone to came along.



### **Robin Hood at the Northcott Theatre**

The children thoroughly enjoyed their trip to the theatre yesterday to watch Robin Hood along with the rest of the children from the Moorland Hub. Once again, their behaviour was impeccable both on the coach and throughout the performance. Thank you for your patience in our delay back to school. I'm sure the children slept well last night!



**\*Remember to book your child's school dinners for after the Christmas Holidays\***



# School Diary

## January 2023

Monday - 2nd	
Tuesday - 3rd	Non-Pupil Day
Wednesday - 4th	All children return to school
Thursday - 5th	
Friday - 6th	No Celebration Assembly

\*Your child must be booked onto our after-school clubs through School Gateway, in order to take part.



On behalf of the children and staff, I would like to take this opportunity to wish our families and wider community a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming our children back to school at 8:50am on Wednesday 4th January.

Have a wonderful Christmas holiday,  
Mrs Cook