



Welcome back after the half term break to what is always a busy half term. Dare I mention the C work already but the dates for the Christmas concerts are all booked, so please check the back of the newsletter to ensure you are aware of important dates. Class information letters will be sent home as usual with specific information for your child's class. Parents' evening week is the week beginning Monday 13th November and we require all parents to attend an appointment. If you can not make the appointment times during this week please arrange another mutually convenient time with your child's teacher to attend. Below are some general reminders. Kind regards, Mrs Martin.

Hop Tu Naa: The children had a fantastic day celebrating Hop Tu Naa. The standard of turnips was excellent. We raised over £200 from the sale of toffee apples, so thank you to everyone who bought one. The money will be for school funds so we can buy some exciting new resources for the children.



Dress Down Days: There will be two dress down days this half term where we will be asking for items for the school Christmas Fayre. We will be having a Christmas jumper day and donations will be for Children in Need. Dates on the back of newsletter.

Christmas Fayre: The school's Christmas Fayre will be Monday 5th December - 6pm. We would love if some parents could lend a hand setting up for the Fayre on either Friday 1st Dec or on the Monday. This help would be much appreciated. If you can help please see Mrs Dunn at the office.

Kingswood Week: The Year 6s visited Kingswood last half term and had a wonderful week. The children were a credit to the school whilst away and made us proud showing resilience when doing activities and forming great relationships with peers. A very big thank you to Mrs Egelnick for organising the week and Mr Corlett, Ms Butterworth, Miss Davies, Miss Whiteway, Mrs Colgan and Mr Astil for accompanying the children. Also, a big thank you to Mrs Parslow for all the admin involved in organising the trip.

Head Bump Notes: Occasionally your child may have a fall on the playground or clash heads etc. We always send a bumped head note home informing you that your child has had a bang so you can monitor at home. These notes are often not taken out of Book Bags. The notes will be sent home on red paper to distinguish them from other letters sent home. If it has been a general injury the note will be on green paper. If your child has had a serious injury we will always phone home to inform parents.

Christmas Performances: The dates for all year group performances are on the back page of the newsletter. Tickets will be available from the school office and dates they are available are also included. Please note that there will be limited number of tickets per family due to space constraints. Years 4/5/6 and Year 2 performances will be taking place at the Cathedral. Tickets will be available for all performances week beginning Monday 27th November. Reception, Year 1 and Year 3 performances will be at school.

Attendance: If your child is absent from school please phone the school office on the morning each day that they are off school. If we do not receive a phone call the absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

School Uniform: Can we ask again that all uniform items are named, including shoes! Now the weather is turning colder it is very important that all coats and hats etc are named. We have a huge amount of lost property accumulated already over the first half term. If you are missing any jumpers etc please check. This is stored by Mrs Jackson's office.

Swimming: Swimming continues for all of Key Stage 2. Correct attire is required for swimming lessons, it is imperative that boys wear swimming trunks and not baggy shorts. Unfortunately children will be unable to take part in the lesson if they don't have the appropriate swimwear. Please ensure earrings are taken out on swimming days. If earrings can not be taken out a swim headband can be worn or ear rings can be taped over.

Homework: Thank you to those children who have completed their first two homework challenges. The challenges set are open ended to be extended how your child wishes. The main thing is that they are enjoyable. Maths homework is done online and the My Maths activities can now be accessed on ipads through the Puffin Academy free app (login details are issued in the homework books).

Milk / Dinners: Dinners this half term are £75.25. Please ensure that dinner payments are made promptly and that they are up to date. Cheques must be made payable to the Isle of Man Government.

Biscuits: Biscuits are available on a Friday. Pupils can buy two biscuits at a cost 30p. Any money must come into school in a purse or labelled envelope with the child's name and class on and we ask the children to hand this to their class teacher.

Drinks and Snacks: We encourage children to bring in a healthy snack, such as fruit. Lately some children have been bringing in chocolate and crisps for snacks. Of course we would never prevent your child from eating their snack but healthy snacks and non fizzy drinks are preferred.

Holidays: At PCWs we pride ourselves on good attendance. Should you request leave of absence for your child, please put your request in writing to Mrs Jackson stating the special circumstances for the request. Only ten days can be authorised.

Sporting Events: Congratulations to our Year 3 Tag Rugby teams who took part in the Tag Rugby tournament - one team won all of their five matches. The other team won three out of their five matches. Well done to all.

Bradda Fell Run: Well done to all our children who took part in the recent Fell Run at Bradda.

Parking:

We have had a request from a member of the public that parents don't park in the residential area that is opposite the swimming pool. Their access has been blocked during drop off and pick up times. Many thanks.



Poppies: Poppies are now on sale at the school office. A minimum donation of 20p is requested for poppies. There are lots of other items for sale, such as, wristbands, snap bands and badges. Minimum donation for these items is £1.

QEII Roadshow: As part of the Year 6 transition to QEII there is a roadshow for Year 6 parents and pupils held on Monday 20th November at PCWs at 6pm.

Many Thanks,
Mrs Martin

Autumn Term 2

DATE:	EVENT:
Week Beginning 6th November	Year 6 and Year 3 Stay and Learn
Every Tuesday	Action Songs and Rhymes in KS1 Hall 2.15pm - 3.15pm
Friday 10th November	Remembrance Service - Year 6 children Poppy service at the Cathedral at 2.30pm
Week Beginning 13th November	Parents Evening Week Year 5 Stay and Learn Year 2 Stay and Learn
Friday 17th November	Children in Need Dress down day - bring a red or green item
Monday 20th November	QEII Roadshow at PCWs - Year 6 and parents - 6pm
Friday 24th November	Dress down day - bring a bottle Homework due in
Week Beginning 27th November	Christmas concert tickets available from school office = details TBC
Monday 4th December	Christmas Fayre - 6pm
Tuesday 12th December	Reception Concert at 10am in school hall Year 1 Christmas Concert at 2.30pm in school hall
Wednesday 13th December	Year 1 Concert at 10am in school hall Reception Christmas Concert at 2.30pm in school hall
Friday 15th December	Homework due in
Tuesday 19th December	Year 3 Christmas Productions - 10am and 2.30pm in school hall
Wednesday 20th December	Years 4/5/6 Cathedral Concert at 10am and 2pm
Thursday 21st December	Year 2 Christmas Performance at Peel Cathedral - 10am and 2pm
Friday 22nd December	Christmas Jumper Day £1 donation to Children in Need Christmas Dinner Last day of term
***** Monday 8th January *****	First day of Spring Term