

...in the news!

6<sup>th</sup> November 2017

*This newsletter will keep you updated with events at Wheatfields Primary and it is intended to add to the information you receive on a regular basis from your child(s) class teacher in the weekly 'Learning Review' and termly curriculum letters.*

### **School News Sharing – is this the best way?**

Is there a better way to share news with parents? We would like to review the way that information is shared with parents. To help us to know how you would prefer information to be shared, we would be very grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete a short survey using the link below. Once we have enough feedback, we can take steps to improve our communication with you. Thank you in advance for your support.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/7GPPDV2>

### **PAWS**

The Christmas Fayre is on Friday 1st December at 5-7pm. If anyone is interesting in having a stall it is only £10 per table. Please contact Claire Martin by email [pawscommittee@gmail.com](mailto:pawscommittee@gmail.com) or by telephone 01480 494253 for further details.

### **Lights, Camera, Action!!**

We are excited to be able to tell you that our stage lighting has been ordered and we hope to have it in place ahead of our Christmas performances at the end of this term!! The lighting will make a huge difference to all of the performances that we do at Wheatfields as well as dance and drama lessons. Huge thanks must go to parents for your generous donations following our performances over the last 2 years as well as your support of the continued fundraising efforts of the PAWS committee. Although we have ordered the equipment we will be relying on the fundraising of this year's Christmas Fayre and any donations from Christmas performances to go towards covering the costs.

### **Wrapping up**

Please make sure that your children have the necessary clothing to help to keep them warm over the winter. They must have a coat and a 'named' coat is even better! Thank you.

### **Driving Improvement Reminder**

Following our curriculum meetings, there are 4 key priorities we are working on this year that you can help with at home:-

1. To improve outcomes in reading by practising answering questions about a book and finding the answers in the book.
2. To improve outcomes in writing by writing down the answers to a question that has been talked about first
3. To improve outcomes in maths by asking the children to explain their thinking and how they found the answer. Can they find another way? How can they prove they are right?
4. To learn all of their times tables by the end of year 4.

We hope that the curriculum meetings, curriculum grids, learning reviews and the website will support you when you are helping your children with learning at home but please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions.

*We aim to give you as much notice as possible for school events. All dates can be found using the calendar on our school website [www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk](http://www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk). You will also receive our Calendar of Events detailing events through the school year.*

*Mrs Theresa Thornton, Headteacher.*

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