

## Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 17th 1pm—4pm  
Trawden Community Centre  
Children 3—10yrs

You can put your child's name down and collect their party invitation at Trawden Community Centre on Saturday 3rd Dec, 10.30—11.30. Places are limited so go early.

## Helpers

We often need helpers in school, either for one-off activities such as craft work or trips or, on a more regular basis, to hear readers etc. If you are willing and able to be contacted when extra support is needed please ring the office and leave your name and contact details, saying what sort of support you are able to offer. If you have a very particular skill such as knitting or coaching football, then please let us know.

Many thanks, in anticipation.

## Shoebbox Appeal

Thank you for your generous donations of Christmas Shoebboxes which have now been sent away to make some children very happy this Christmas.



## Anti-Bullying Week

This week children have been exploring 'the power of good'. They have worked together in mixed age groups, made masks and discussed how to make their school a better place to be. A range of activities have been available at break times to engage as many children as possible in team work and co-operation.



## Website

Please keep looking at the website as we are updating it all the time. This is also the place to look if you want to know whether the school is open on a snowy day. Always assume it is open unless the website tells you otherwise.

## Google Expeditions

This week KS2 were introduced to the wonders of Virtual Reality and how it can have a brilliant impact on our learning! Year 3 visited Mars, Year 4 visited Mars and Borneo Jungle, Year 5 travelled to a recording studio in California and Year 6 took a look in history to learn about adaptation. All of this was achieved in the comfort of a classroom. The children had a fabulous time. It's safe to say, there were a few screams of enjoyment. The overall feedback from children was that they would love to use this technology everyday.

### Reading

There is a renewed enthusiasm for reading in the school at the moment, as the children have engaged with 'Accelerated Reader' and are beginning to enjoy the quizzes after reading each book. Some children are a little more reluctant and we ask that you foster their love of reading by encouraging them to read at home. If children have their own books which they would like to read, they should bring these in to show the class teachers.



### Diary Dates

28th November The Snow Queen Performance in school. Whole school.  
 1st December Life Bus y6, y2, y3  
 5th December Indoor athletics y6 4.00-5.30pm Park High School  
 8th December Pendle Schools' Carol Service  
 12th December KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal 2.00pm  
 13th/15th December KS1 Nativity 6.00pm  
 19th December Travelling Science Show in school KS1 am, KS2 pm.  
 21st December Christmas lunch (£2.20)  
 22nd December Carol Service 2.00pm

### Reminders

Dinner money should be sent in on Mondays, in a labelled envelope.  
 PE kits should be in school every day. Some have not yet arrived back after half term.  
 Please ensure that children have good coats and shoes for school, as we will try to get outside as much as possible during the winter months.  
 When /if buying new lunch boxes, please look for something of a reasonable size as we are struggling to store big rucksacks on our trolleys.  
 Thank you for help with this.

### Pendle Schools' Carol Service

The Pendle School's Festival Carol Service is being held this year at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Barnoldswick on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm

All are welcome, but it is the year 4 choir who will be taking part.

We are asked to take new children's toys, unwrapped, and each to the value of about £30 which are then distributed by a charity to children in need around the local area. The school will provide these but if you would like to donate an item, please bring it to the school office before 25th November.



### Holiday Dates

Holiday:	School Closes:	School Opens:
		Mon 5th September 2016
Half term	Fri 28th October 2016	Mon 7th November 2016
Christmas	Thurs 22nd December 2016	Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2017
Mid Term	Fri 10th February 2017	Mon 20th February 2017
Easter	Thu 30th March 2017	Tues 18th April 2017
May Day	Fri 28th April 2017	Tues 2nd May 2017
Spring Bank	Fri 26th May 2017	Tues 6th June 2017
Mid Summer	Fri 21st July 2017	