



NEWSLETTER

5th December 2014

Dear parents, children & carers,

Christmas is fast approaching and the festivities start from 5.00pm tonight at the FORS Christmas Fair. Please come along and support this event. There will be lots of festive stalls, activities, food, drink, and games for all the whole family.



All parents should have received a letter regarding the Christmas Extravaganza, being held at the Picture House on Wednesday 17th December. Tickets are limited to 3 per child so if you have not put your request in, please do so by Monday at the latest. Tickets will be distributed next week and any surplus tickets will be sold at the office from next Friday, 12th December, at 2.45pm. The children have been working so hard and we guarantee a fantastic show!

RIVERSIDE CHRISTMAS CONCERT **Hope Baptist Church, Hebden Bridge** **9.30am, Friday 19th December**

The whole school will be taking part in a Carol Concert at Hope Baptist Church on the last day of term. The children have been practising hard and promise a real treat!

All parents/carers are very welcome to come along to this end of term family celebration.



As you are aware, Mrs Eggleton is retiring at the end of this term and we will be saying a sad but fond farewell to her at the Christmas concert at Hope Baptist Church. Please do come along and say your goodbyes.

Mrs Cathy Greenaway has been appointed as our Interim Headteacher from January 5th 2015.

We are looking for an old climbing rope to use for outdoor and adventurous play activities. We also need a Ghetto blaster/CD player with good speakers for use in dance lessons.

If anyone has either of these items and could kindly donate them to school, we would be extremely grateful.

Please see Jackie Scarf or Mrs Goodhart if you think you can help. Thank you.

SPORTS NEWS

CROSS COUNTRY. Riverside took a huge contingent to the HX7 X-C Championships yesterday at Stubbs Field, Mytholmroyd. Mrs Scarf, supported by many parent helpers (BIG THANK YOU to you all!) walked 45 children from all year groups, to and from Mytholmroyd, for the event. The children did brilliantly, putting in 100% effort throughout. We are still awaiting the final results but well done to everyone. You were all great!

SPORSTHALL ATHLETICS. After 2 hours of running, jumping and throwing, Team Riverside claimed victory in the HX7 Sportshall Athletics competition on 26th November, against 5 other local Primary Schools. Our Y5/6 team, who had been training in our after school club for 4 weeks with Miss Hessledon, gave their all.

This is the 3rd year running we have gone through to the Calderdale Finals at North Bridge in Halifax. Everyone worked so hard to win their Gold medal. It was a real team performance, with an emphasis on supporting and encouraging team mates to give their best. We are delighted with the win and now go through to the Calderdale Sportshall Athletics Final at North Bridge Leisure Centre on Wednesday 10th December. GOOD LUCK Team Riverside.

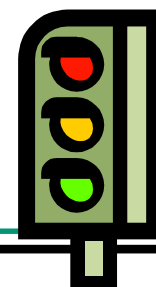


As a school, we are keen to give children the experience of a variety of sporting activities and as such, we are arranging a Y5/6 bouldering trip in the New Year, to Rockover Climbing Centre in Manchester. Letters will be sent out shortly so if your child is interested, please return your form quickly as places will be limited. We hope to enter a Riverside team into the Rockover Manchester Schools Bouldering Competition, which is taking place in March 2015, so this will be an opportunity for pupils to try out this great sport and get some expert tuition from experienced instructors at one of the biggest bouldering only centres in the North West.



Mrs Scarf (PE Co-ordinator)

Please can we remind all parents and children to cross the main road sensibly when coming to and from school. We have had a couple of reports of near misses at this junction in the morning, when parents and children have attempted to cross the road without using the crossing. Thanks you.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: All after school clubs will finish next Friday 12th December. No clubs will run the last week of term. Clubs will re-start after the Christmas holidays so keep an eye out for letters home about which clubs we will be running.