

Abbot Alphege Academy - Newsletter 3, Term 2, Autumn 2018
21st November 2018

Dear Parent

Bath Primary Schools Advent Service – Thursday, 22nd November 2018

Pupils who are participating in the Bath Primary Schools Advent Service at the Forum this Thursday, 22nd November, have already brought home a letter giving detailed arrangements. This service is a ticket-only event. The tickets have already been distributed via each performing pupil.

Performing pupils (plus siblings) may be collected at 2.00pm from school. However, all other pupils will remain in school with Miss Madden and Mrs Stagg until the end of the school day at 3.20pm.

Mufti Day – Friday, 30th November 2018

There will be a mufti day on Friday, 30th November 2018, when pupils can come to school in mufti clothes in exchange for one of the following options:

- A bottle (alcoholic or non-alcoholic) for the Christmas Fair Bottle Stall
- A jam jar filled with sweets for the Christmas Fair Sweet Tombola. **No nuts** in sweets please!

Movie Night – Friday, 30th November 2018

On Friday, 30th November, Abbot Alphege Academy PTA are holding a movie night from 3.45pm to 5.45pm in the school hall. The cost is £4.00 per person which includes a hotdog on arrival, popcorn and squash through the movie and an ice lolly at the end! Blankets, cushions and teddies are welcome. Please return your reply slip as soon as possible if you would like your child/children to attend – if you have mislaid your Movie Night flyer then please ask for a replacement from the School Office.

Christmas Fair Reminders

- **Christmas Fair Raffle Prizes** - our Christmas Fair, Thursday 13th December, is fast approaching! Please can we ask for your help? We wonder if you, as parents at Abbot Alphege, could help by requesting your employers or companies to offer a raffle prize, no matter how small, to help make the Christmas Fair a big success? Your help would be greatly appreciated and would share out the necessary tasks.
- **Christmas Fair Raffle Tickets** - a book of raffle tickets will shortly be sent home via your child which we hope you will purchase or sell in aid of our Christmas Fair. Counterfoils will need to be returned to school by noon on Thursday 13th December 2018 and the draw will take place at the Christmas Fair on Thursday 13th December. If you would like more raffle tickets to sell, then please call in to the School Office.
- **Christmas Fair Hamper** – our Christmas Hamper will be one of the raffle prizes at this year's Christmas Fair and we rely on our parents for donations towards this. Please find below a list of suggested donations but this is just a guide – in fact any Christmassy donations would be greatly received but no perishable items please. The list will be held in the School Office with effect from Thursday, 8th November 2018. We would be very grateful if you could please pop into the School Office and put your name down against one of the donations. Many thanks for your support.

Suggested Hamper Donations: red wine, white wine, prosecco, chocolates, mulled wine, biscuits for cheese, napkins, mince pies, Christmas cake, crackers, candles, Christmas pudding, ground coffee, tea, shortbread, cranberry sauce, etc.

AAA Nativity Performance

The Abbot Alphege Nativities will be held in school on Friday, 7th December as follows:

- Pipistrelle and Horseshoe classes performing '**Jesus's Christmas Party**' – 2.00pm
- Natterers class performing '**Jesus@BethlehemStable.com**' – 2.30pm

Everyone welcome to attend either performance or both!

Community Celebration Carol Service – Monday, 17th December 2018

On Monday, 17th December at 6.30pm at Abbot Alphege Academy there is going to be a Community Christmas Celebration for everyone. We will gather to sing carols, listen to the children singing, hear the Christmas Story (which, thanks to an amazing archaeological discovery on the site, will be told as *never before*) and enjoy seasonal refreshments.

The evening is being organised by the school and the two local churches: St Mary's Charlcombe and St Stephen's Lansdown. There is no charge – just turn up and be prepared to have a great time. We will be asking for a voluntary donation to cover costs with all profits going to a local charity.

Yours sincerely
Dr Anne Bull
Headteacher

COMMUNITY LINKS

Bath Strings Academy, Sparkling Strings – Sunday, 9th December, 10am – 4pm. Christmas Music Workshop for string players of all ages. For more info please visit www.bathstringsacademy.org

Bath Christmas Market Events - Family Festive Artisan Market. Queen Square on 24.11.18, 01.12.18 & 08.12.18 from 10am -5pm. www.bathchristmasmarket.co.uk

Bath City Farm Winter Fair – Saturday, 8th Dec from 12 – 3pm. Free entry. For info visit www.bathcityfarm.org.uk