



Galleywood Infant School

Tuesday 27th November 2018

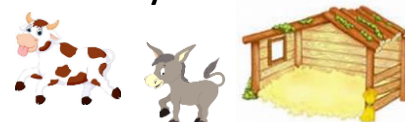
Dear Parents,

Thank you for a fabulous response to our non-uniform day on Friday- the decorated jars look amazing!

The Countdown to Christmas has begun!

Christmas Presentation: The Great Escape!

The school concert involving all the children will be held on **Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th December** with our dress rehearsal on Monday 10th December. Look out for your invitation this week and please send ticket requests in promptly!



We have a supply of costumes in school from previous productions and buy a few new things every year as we need them. If we need you to provide items for your child you will be notified by Wednesday this week.

Calling parents, grandparents, friends!

We always have a long list of headbands and props to make in school to make our production really sparkle! If you would be able to help on **Thursday 29th or Friday**



30th from 1:10-3:10pm with painting, cutting, stapling, glittering, we would be very grateful. We supply tea, coffee, biscuits, toys for younger siblings and all the templates! It becomes a bit of a production line, the more the merrier! Please speak to Mrs Manning or to your child's teacher if you can help. Thank you!



We take photographs of groups of children in their costumes on Friday 7th and display these in our entrance hall from Monday 10th December for you to order.

GIPA Christmas Bazaar

WE NEED YOU!

Friday 7 December 4.30pm – 6:30pm

Please, please come and sign up to help on a stall or refreshments for ½ hour. We want a fantastic event but cannot do it without a little help from a lot of people. We look forward to seeing you all as both helpers and supporters on the day. We are ready to welcome your contributions, especially nearly new toys and games, chocolate items, raffle prizes, gifts for the "Secrets Room" and decorated filled jars.



(Cakes should be brought on **7th December** please!)

Thank you!

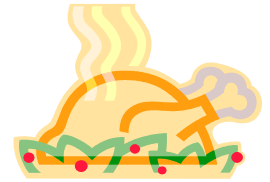
Christmas Post Box

We have a School Post Box near the fish tank for children to post cards to their friends. This will be in place from **Monday 10th December** until **Tuesday 18th December**, when collections and deliveries by the children will take place daily. Please help your child to address cards to friends by writing **both names and the class** of the recipient clearly on the envelope.



Christmas Dinner - Wednesday 19th December

We are looking forward to this very special occasion! Please don't forget to return your child's slip, so that the food can be ordered in plenty of time.



Bags to School

Just a reminder that Bags to school will be collecting your donations next Wednesday at 9am. We do not have room to store bags in school over several days but if it helps, parents can drive up to school with donations and leave them in the entrance hall on Tuesday afternoon or early Wednesday morning. We have been told that any plastic bags are fine if you have filled the bag attached to the original letter. Thank you.

Galleywood Library

Essex County Council is preparing to consult on the closure of several libraries across Essex, including Galleywood Library. Thank you for all your comments about this and offers of support for the library service. Together with St Michael's we will be sending letters from children and staff, making the strongest possible representation to keep a library at the centre of the Galleywood Community.

This is a link to an online petition set up by Kirstie Orton, English leader at St Michael's Junior School. <https://www.change.org/p/essex-county-council-save-galleywood-library> Please forward this link to any family or friends who may be willing to add their support. We will keep you updated with the progress of this consultation.

Lathcoats Farmyard Nativity

Together with St Michael's, St Mary's and St Paul's churches Lathcoats Farm are presenting their annual Farmyard Nativity at Lathcoats, Beehive Lane, Galleywood on **Sunday 9th December**. Everyone is welcome. Parts are given out from 4pm and the performance starts at 4:30pm. This is an open air venue and visitors are advised to dress appropriately and to bring a torch.



Admission is free; the Nativity will be followed by refreshments with proceeds going to Save the Children. For more information see www.lathcoatsfarm.co.uk

Poppy Appeal

The poppy appeal this year raised £128.94! This is an amazing total. We have been asked to pass on the thanks of the Royal British Legion, who collected and counted all our contributions!

