

Dear Parents and Friends

On Dec 6<sup>th</sup> and the 7<sup>th</sup> the children can wear **non-school uniform** for two reasons. Firstly to support the PTA by bringing in a tin or bottle for the stall on the 7<sup>th</sup> December at the fair, and secondly to enable them to take part in some willow sculpture on one of the two days. Many children take the opportunity not to wear uniform but don't bring anything in...please encourage them! Tins to the classroom and bottles straight to the office. The children will make willow wreaths/stars etc and I would suggest wearing non-precious clothing as the willow can be dirty and mark the clothes.

At the **RSA disco** on the 16<sup>th</sup> November the children will need to bring their "security" ticket with them to hand in at the beginning with their entrance fee and collect at the end. Each child will have a ticket issued which will be valid for the year. Please ask them to keep it for the year as we will not issue spares. If your child can not write their name and class on it when they are issued please help them, especially the little ones. The ticket's purpose is to act as a fire and security register. If it is not collected by an adult at the end we will assume the child is still on the premises and he/she may be logged as a missing child with the police. Please also tell the girls not to bring bottles of perfume with them! Broken glass on the floor of the toilets and aerosol sprays going everywhere are not very helpful.

A **questionnaire on community involvement** will go out very soon. If you can return it I'd be grateful and if you have any friends or relatives in the village who would like one please ask.

**Janet Fowler** is off school long term recuperating from an operation and we wish her a speedy recovery.

**Benny Lee**, who has been with the school for very many years in various roles, has finally decided to retire. For those of you who know her it's not exactly early retirement, as she is the only member of a school staff I have ever met who has celebrated her diamond wedding while in post. She has also never had a day ill! If we can persuade her to return for a presentation we will present her with a suitable gift, and if you would like to contribute, all donations would be gratefully accepted.

**Reminders of events:**

- Nov 11<sup>th</sup> Some of class 5 will join the British Legion in a Remembrance Day Service at Church at 3.00pm. All are welcome.
- Nov 16<sup>th</sup> RSA disco
- Nov 30<sup>th</sup> We have invited Thurlbear to join us here with classes 1 and 2 to watch "The Nutcracker Suite" at 10.00am
- Dec 7<sup>th</sup> School Christmas Fair at 6.00pm
- Dec 12<sup>th</sup> Christmas Production in the afternoon and evening
- Dec 13<sup>th</sup> Christmas Production in the evening
- Dec 14<sup>th</sup> "Christmas Carol" for classes 3, 4 and 5 at the Brewhouse Theatre.
- Dec 16<sup>th</sup> Candlelight Carol service at church led by year 6 at 6.30pm
- Dec 17<sup>th</sup> School service at church led by year 6 at 9.45am