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| St. Mary’s Primary and Pre-school Newsletter (5)**INTERNATIONAL AID CHRISTMAS BOXES**We welcomed Julie from International Aid into school this morning to talk to the children about the Christmas Appeal Boxes and how they get sent out to places such as the Ukraine and Sierra Leone.Julie talked about the things that we could possibly put into a box and talked about things like toys, pencils, teddies, socks, toiletries, gloves, hats etc. . She told us that if we wanted to join in, to decorate a shoe box with wrapping paper, put an elastic band around and not to seal it so that they can check what is inside for safety reasons. If your family would like to take part and send a box in, please can you send in the week beginning the 20th of November. Thankyou for the boxes already received. **PTFA MEETING** Thankyou to our PTFA who organized the fancy dress party on the last day of the last half term. The children had a great time. There will be another PTFA meeting on Wednesday evening at 6pm until 7pm if anyone is able to join us. **CHILDREN IN NEED**It is Children in Need Day on Friday, 17th November. The children may come to school in non-uniform in their PJs if they want for a donation which will be sent to CIN. We will be having fun activities in school and there will be a cake sale at playtime. Cakes will be sold at 50p each.    | 30th October 2023 |
|  SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENTWe come together as Saint Mary’s family, to learn, share our faith and do our best, to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.**WINMARLEIGH**Children from years 4/5/6 will be going to Winmarleigh on Wednesday for two nights. They will need a packed lunch for Wednesday with a bottle of water. They also need a sleeping bag and a pillow.Children may take £5 only for the gift shopwhich they will be given one time slot to useover the three days. Please don’t send in any more money as this is enough. Money can Be given to Miss Doherty for safe keeping in a labelled envelope. Please do not give her money that isn’t in a labelled envelope. They will be back in school on Friday afternoon for the end of the school day. A person climbing a rock wall  Description automatically generated  |   |
| Whats Happening? | 30th October 2023 |

Dates for your diary……

Winmarleigh – 1st Nov – 3rd Nov

PTFA meeting in school, 1st Nov – 6pm – 7pm

Flu vaccines for Reception and Pre-school (with consent)

Fire Brigade to visit school to talk about fire safety – 8th November

Mass in Church – Thursday 9th November

Yrs. 1/2/3 - Museum of Lancashire for WW2 event – 10th November

Remembrance Sunday - 12th November

Open the Book – Chipping Churches Together into school to present bible stories – 14th Nov

Children in Need Day (PJ day) – Friday, 17th November

Governor committee meeting in school – 29th November 5.30pm

Healthy Lunch made by years 1/2/3 – 1st December

First Sunday of Lent – 3rd December

Mass in Church – Thursday 7th December

PTFA Food Bingo at the village hall – Friday, 8th December (more details to follow)

Christmas Plans

Nativity play in school (all children involved) – Wed 13th Dec at 1.30pm and 6pm

Pantomime at Blackpool (Beauty and the Beast) – Thursday 14th Dec at 10.30am (leaving school at 9am)

Christmas Party in school – Friday 15th Dec (non-uniform)

Christmas Dinner – Tuesday, 19th December

Carol Service in the school hall – Wed 20th Dec at 1.30pm before breaking up for the Christmas holidays at the end of the carol service (usually about 2.15pm)