



Friezland Primary School

November 10th 2017

Dick Whittington Pantomime

As a festive treat for our hard-working pupils, we will once again be taking them to the Oldham Coliseum to watch this year's Christmas Pantomime: Dick Whittington.

We will be watching the morning performance on Wednesday 5th December and will be leaving school after registration in order to be in our seats ready for the show at 10:15am. We will return to school for a later lunch at 1:00pm. The cost of the visit including ticket, transport and insurance is £12.00 and this can be paid via your School Money account. You must also give consent via the system by ticking the allocated box.

Children will need to be in full school uniform (Friezland green preferred), with a waterproof coat, water bottle and healthy snack (named) to be consumed during the interval.

Please also ensure that school has up-to-date emergency contact details and medical information. If you have any queries, please speak with your child's class teacher in the first instance.

We are looking into booking a traveling theatre company to visit school next year and therefore won't be going to the Coliseum in 2018.



School Photographs

Individual and sibling school photographs have been scheduled for **Friday 17th November**. All Friezland pupils will have an individual and sibling photo taken on this day with no obligation to buy. If you would like a sibling who isn't at Friezland to appear on the photograph, whether younger or older, please arrive at school at the normal time of 8:45am and you will be shown to the hall. We ask for your patience as it can take a little while to get through everyone.



Children in Need: Spotacular

Next Friday 17th November, is Children in Need Day and the School Councillors are helping to run some activities in school. As it is also school photo day, we are sticking with a 'Spotacular Headwear Competition'. Prizes will be offered for effort and creative flair so get creating a spotty hat or hair accessory. These will be worn and paraded in an assembly after photographs have been taken. For 50p a go, children are also invited to take part in a 'Hunt the Spot' competition with all proceeds being given to the CIN charity. Pudsey Bear buckets will be around school for any additional donations.



Dates for the diary

NOVEMBER

13th Nov: Freddy Fit Workshops

13th Nov: Y6 Red Cross Workshop

14th Nov: Open Morning 2, 9:30am (for prospective YR pupils, 2018)

15th Nov: YR-4 Flu immunisations (School Nurse Team)

15th Nov: Governing Board- Resource & Environment Meeting

16th Nov: Parent-Teacher Meetings 1

17th Nov: Individual & sibling photographs AM

17th Nov: Children in Need Fundraiser

21st Nov: Parent-Teacher Meetings 2

24th Nov: Non-uniform day- in exchange for Christmas tombola item

25th Nov: Greenfield Christmas Tree Ceremony

29th Nov: Governing Board Meeting

DECEMBER

1st Dec: Friends of Friezland Christmas Fair, 2:30-5:30pm.

5th Dec: Whole school Pantomime (Oldham Coliseum)

8th Dec: Class 1 & 2 present: The Landlord's Cat Performance, 9:30am, school Hall (tickets available soon).

11th Dec: Friezland Christmas Festival, 2:15pm, Friezland Church- all welcome.

12th Dec: Experience Christmas at Friezland Church- Class 4

12th Dec: Class 1 & 2 present: The Landlord's Cat Performance, 2:15pm, school Hall (tickets available soon).

13th Dec: Christmas Lunch

14th Dec: Class 1 & 2 present: The Landlord's Cat Performance, 6:30pm, school Hall (tickets available soon).

19th Dec: Christmas Jumper Day

19th Dec: End of autumn 2 term

Non-uniform day

Friday 24th November will be a non-uniform day in exchange for an item below in order to support the Friends of Friezland, Christmas Fair. Please bring these items in on this day and not before. We would also be grateful of any donated items that are suitable as raffle prizes. Please hand raffle prizes in at the school office as soon as possible. Further details about the fair will follow in a future newsletter. Thank you for your support.

Classes 1 & 2: Mince pie donation

Classes 3 & 4: Festive tombola item (bottle, chocolate etc.)

The BIG Brush

Children's oral health in Oldham is one of the worst in the country. The Big Brush is part of Oldham's Campaign to raise awareness of a good tooth brushing routine. Our pupils will be participating in the 'two-minute brush challenge' next week.



Welcome to Team Friezland

We would all like to officially welcome Mrs Sharon Hall and Mrs Julie Hopkins who have joined our team this week. Sharon has joined our midday team and Julie has joined both the midday and Frostie team. We hope they enjoy working with us and are sure they will be an asset to the team.



Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

As you know, all children in Class 1 and Class 2 receive a free school meal unless parents opt out. Whilst this is beneficial for our children, it means it is more difficult for school to identify children who are entitled to a free school meal. For such children, school can receive an additional £1300 per year which can be put towards extra tuition, resources, initiatives and interventions for the benefit of the individual pupil. As the school budget continues to be significantly cut, this money is even more important to school. To find out if you are eligible visit <http://www.oldham.gov.uk/schoolmeals> where an application form can also be found or, speak to Mrs. Flynn in confidence.

Flu Immunisations

If we received your confirmation form, then Reception to Year 4 will be receiving their flu immunisation during the school day on Wednesday 15th November.

Friezland Art Gallery

If you ordered copies of your child's artwork at our gallery event, then copies have now arrived in school for collection. As the frames are fragile, we are holding them safe in the school office for collection, rather than give them to the children. Please call into school as soon as possible to collect.



Oasis Academy, Leesbrook

Oasis Academy, is a new secondary Academy, initially in temporary accommodation, at a purpose built unit previously used for education on Middleton Road in Oldham. The Academy will then move into a new building off Lees Road, subject to planning approval. The newly appointed Principal will be visiting Friezland next Tuesday to speak with Y5-6 pupils, and will also be available after school, should any parents wish to meet her and ask questions. You can find out more by visiting the website <http://www.oasiscommunitylearning.org/Oasis-Academy-Leesbrook>

Mathletics

Thank you to all the families who were able to attend one of the Mathletics workshops that we held in school this week. Children are already enjoying using the resource both at home and school and have their own log-in details. If you were unable to attend and you have any queries, please contact your child's class teacher. We will also be running lunchtime clubs to allow pupils the opportunity to access Mathletics and practice and refine their Maths skills. This club will run on rotation of classes across the year.

