

## BE THE BEST THAT YOU CAN BE

# MARVELS LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who attended Parent/Carer evenings last week. We hope that the new booking system worked and that most of you with more than one child were able to get meetings close together. The next one will be after the half term in the Spring Term.

Christmas is fast approaching, please see the attached Christmas dates for your diary for upcoming Christmas events. You should have also received today details about our first main event—Christmas Jumper Day and our Marvels Lane Winter Festival on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**.

We would like to thank you in advance for any help you can give in terms of time and/or donations.

Closer to home, we also recognise that Christmas can be financially tough for many. Please note that donations for Christmas jumpers are voluntary. We will also let you know details of Lewisham/Chart foodbank during the coming month and we hope to have also secured some hampers before the end of term.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mr Edward Dove  
Headteacher

## Children in Need



A BIG thank you to everyone, we raised an amazing £225 for Children In Need this year.

## FSM & HAF Vouchers

Fit4Future (coach Segun) are again running a holiday club at Marvels Lane. This is will be on 21st, 22nd and also 28th and 29th December. It is free to children eligible for FSM/Pupil Premium, although the way to apply and get a space has changed. You will have already received vouchers and instructions from Wonde on how to book your place. Marvels Lane children are given priority spaces.



## Attendance

After an excellent first half term we achieved 96% attendance. Various bugs have hit us this month and attendance has taken a dive. If your child is unwell with a sickness bug please keep them at home, if not, do everything you can to get your child to school and also work with us especially if your child's attendance falls below 90%.

Please see the attendance ladder which explains what you should be aiming for with your child's attendance.



## Attendance Ladder



## 'No Nuts'



Please can we remind all parents that we are a 'No Nuts' school, in order to protect several members of our community that have nut allergies.

This includes nuts in lunch bars and also hazelnut spreads (e.g. Nutella) in sandwiches.

## Job Vancancy

We currently have a vacancy for a part time cleaner to join our cleaning team every afternoon 3:00pm—6:00pm. If you are interested, please look out for the advert on our school website which has more details about the role and how to apply.

Alternatively, if you have any questions or would like a copy of the job pack, please speak to Mrs Sullivan in the office

**The deadline for applications is 12 noon, on Thursday 14th December 2023.**

# MARVELS LANE WINTER FESTIVAL



**FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER 3:30-5:00PM**



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are really looking forward to celebrating our Winter Festival with you again this year! We want the children and families of Marvels Lane School to join us in building memories and having fun!

## **Donation Days - Monday 4<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

We also want the children to understand that this is a time of giving as well as receiving, so in school next week we will be focusing on 'giving'. We would like the children to donate any pre-loved toys, teddies, uniform and books that they may have. Anything in good condition that is no longer used at home, but could still be appreciated by somebody else!

We would also like new, unopened bottles for our bottle tombola e.g. shampoo, bubble bath, toiletries, juice or fizz! Please take donations to your class.

As a thank you, every child giving a donation will receive a free raffle ticket.

## **Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**



We will celebrate the end of our giving week with a 'Christmas Jumper Day' on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Donations are voluntary and where possible should be made via your ParentPay account. Proceeds will go to the charity 'Save The Children'.

## **Raffle – Draw taking place Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

Tickets will be on sale before and after school next week on the decking area outside the lower hall. Tickets will cost £1 per strip (5 tickets).

We know the families and staff of Marvels Lane School will pull together and join us in donating as much as they can to make this Winter Festival making it one to remember!

Thank you,

**Mrs Freeman and the FoMLPS**



# 2023 CHRISTMAS DATES

## FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	TIME	DETAILS
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	WEEK	HALF - TERM
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October		CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> –Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	WEEK	Parent/Carer consultation week
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	DAY	INSET day – school closed to children
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	 3:30pm	Christmas Jumper Day Winter Festival
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	2:15pm	YN & YR Christmas performance (#1) LOWER HALL
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	9:45am 2:15pm	YN & YR Christmas performance (#2) LOWER HALL Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performance (#1) LOWER HALL
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	9:45am	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performance (#2) LOWER HALL <i>Adults only</i>
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	10:30am	Christmas Dinner Y3-Y6 Carol Service UPPER HALL <i>Adults &amp; Older Siblings only</i>
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	9:15am 10:45am 3:15pm	YR-Y1 Certificate Assembly – parents welcome Y2-Y6 Certificate Assembly (Sorry, there is not enough space for parents to attend) <b>END OF TERM</b>
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024		<b>FIRST DAY OF SPRING TERM</b> <b>CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL</b>

Parents and carers are welcome to attend all of our Christmas performances, but should note that certain performances are strictly for adults and no siblings can be admitted (indicated above).

