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## Breakfast & After School Club

Thank you to everyone who was able to come on Thursday night to meet the new providers of the Breakfast and After School Club. Lots of questions were asked and I hope were answered to your satisfaction. We are aiming for a January start; be assured that plans are well underway to enable this.

If you were not able to make the meeting but would like to use the provision, you need to fill in a registration form. This can be downloaded from the Marple Childcare Company website and will be available on our website in due course. Please complete the form and return to our school office. We will then pass them on to the company. Once they are in receipt of your details, they will send you booking forms directly. At this point, all communication will be made with them and not through our office.

We aim to get the bookings ready for the after school clubs in a couple of weeks so you can manage your childcare needs.

## Freddy Fit

On Monday and Tuesday we are having a visit from Freddy Fit. His fitness workshops were hugely successful last year and so this time we have booked him in for a bit of early festive fun. It is extremely impressive how he engages whole year groups (and staff!) in his energetic fitness routines. He doesn't even speak for the first 10 minutes and just uses his whistle and eye contact!

On their day, the children can come to school dressed in PE gear - they will need trainers, tracksuit bottoms, T-shirt and a sweatshirt to keep warm for the rest of the day. Please check the days below:

Monday 23rd: Year 6

Year 5

Year 4

Year 3

Tuesday 24th: Nursery

Reception

Year 1

Year 2



Thank you to everyone who made a donation for the Children in Need Appeal last Friday. There were some very imaginative ideas in the wearing of spots with school uniform! I'm pleased to inform you that a total of £ 157.65 was raised for this very worthy charity.





## Christmas Bits and Pieces

### ✻ Father Christmas at the Christmas Fair and Makers' Market!

Tickets will be available to buy IN ADVANCE of the fair. They will not be available on the night and the number is limited due to the 2 hour timeframe.

They will be on sale from Monday 23rd to Friday 27th November:

8.30-9am on the playground from the hall door

3-3.30pm in the school entrance

The cost is £2 per child and includes a selection box.

### ✻ Christmas Dinner

Christmas dinner will be served on Wednesday 9th December. If you click on this event on the website calendar you will be able to find the menu. It is also available to view in the school meal section of the website. A letter will be coming home on Monday to order Christmas dinner should you wish. If you already have school dinners you do not need to order.

### ✻ Christmas Dates

All the key dates for December are on our website calendar. Please use this as your first port of call for dates and let us know if there is anything missing!

## Competition Winners

Thank you to everyone who entered the competition to design the Christmas Fair programme cover and poster. I am pleased to announce that Suman's design will be on the poster which you will see around the village and Violet's design will be on the front of the programme. It is lovely to have the children involved - Thank you to the PTA!

## Parent Council

The Parent Council Newsletter has been attached to this newsletter. I hope you find it informative and interesting. Many thanks to the parent rep from 4R for the excellent writing and publication of the minutes. They are engaging and easy to read. All the parent rep details are included on the newsletter so please take the time to look at it.

## Blogging

We are getting underway with using blogging as a form of communication, discussion and learning. Some blogs are available directly on our home page - you do not need to sign in to contribute to these. You can write on any of the blogs - please remember that these will be visible to the public and will be moderated by our staff first. If you have any positive feedback and comments to make about our school, please visit the headteacher's blog. Thanks!

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and  
the Etchells staff

