

Warton Nethersole's C.E. (Controlled) Primary School

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Children in Need. Friday 16th November:

The children looked very cheerful in their red and yellow in support of Pudsey Bear and Children in Need. Throughout the day children who wanted to wear bear faces. Thank you for sending in your old mobile phones- we collected 69 mobiles which will be changed into £345 by Fonebak. £40 was also collected for face painting making a grand total of £385.

Well done to everyone.

Say No to Bullying Week: This begins this coming Monday 19th and ends on Friday 23rd November. During the week children will be thinking about what bullying is and what it is not. They will learn about how to ensure that in our school bullying is quickly identified and how it is dealt with. **You are warmly invited to come to Assembly this coming Friday - November 23rd for 9.05am so that the children can share with you various aspects of work which they have taken part in during this coming week. On Friday they are invited to wear something blue to join with other children nationally.**



Christmas Fair: Friday 30th November 6.30pm

Thank you so much for sending the following items, art and craft prize, the chocolate prize. This coming week we would be very grateful if you could send in Tombola prizes- bottles, toiletries, candles, etc. Thank you also for everyone who has volunteered to help in any way. If you are able to help please let Mrs Carter, Mrs Day or Mrs Parker know as soon as possible so that we can allocate you a stall.

Diary Dates:

Wednesday: 21st November: Children in Oak and Rowan visit the Leicester Museum.

Friday 23rd November: Wear something blue to support the campaign of "Say No to Bullying" Parents Assembly.

Thursday 29th November: Sports Hall Athletics and Polesworth International Language College from 1.00pm-3pm

Friday 30th November. Willow and Sycamore visit Polesworth Abbey for the Baby Jesus Tableau.

Christmas Fair in school 6.30pm

Saturday 1st December: Musicians Play at Newton Regis Garden Centre Christmas Grotto (details to follow)

Monday 10th December: Nativity Dress Rehearsal for invited guests. 10.00am

Tuesday 11th December: Nativity Play 2.00pm Tickets available closer to the date.

Wednesday 12th December. Nativity Play. 6.30pm. Tickets available closer to the date.

Thursday 20th December. Christmas Circus Show, courtesy of Montana Events.

Friday 21st December: School Closes for the Christmas

Break

Congratulations to the girls' and boys' Cross Country Teams. Both teams are overall second in the North Warwickshire Events.

The Eco Committee: Please keep bringing in cardboard rolls to help the garden rubbish rot down. (the ones found in kitchen rolls, silver foil rolls and cling film rolls. Please **do not** send in the centres of toilet rolls)

Week beginning 19th November 2007

The new County Catering menu for this coming Monday 5th November: Week 3. Meals for the week are £8.00. Please refer to your new menu cards for details of the meals.

Bullying: We define bullying as deliberate, hurtful behaviour or aggression which is repeated over a period of time. It is difficult for those being bullied to defend themselves.

Bullying may include one or more of the following:

- * being hit, kicked, pinched, spat at or threatened;
- * being called names;
- * making a fool of someone;
- * teasing or sending nasty notes;
- * spreading rumours and malicious gossip about someone;
- * deliberately destroying another child's property;
- * repeatedly excluding a child by not talking to them or not letting them join in;

BUT it is not bullying when two children of roughly the same age and strength have the occasional fight or quarrel.

The most common type of bullying is being picked on, followed by teasing, then hitting or kicking.

We believe that everyone should have the right:

- * to be an individual;
- * not to be bullied;
- * to say 'no' firmly to anything they think is wrong and to protect themselves by ignoring others or walking away;
- * to tell a member of staff if someone is making them unhappy.

Bullying is completely unacceptable inside or outside our school in any form and children are frequently reminded of this. Cases of bullying, or alleged bullying, are not common, but when they are revealed they are always investigated extremely thoroughly, and when children are found guilty of bullying they are dealt with appropriately. This will include helping them to understand why their behaviour is wrong and how they can change it.

Children are encouraged to tell staff, confidentially, of any incidents concerning bullying and should feel confident that staff will listen to them and take them seriously. Staff will make every effort to watch and listen carefully for any signs of bullying and be prepared to act firmly against it. Parents will be informed of the school's approach to bullying and encouraged to report any incidents involving their child. Together we can prevent any child from being bullied.