

## THE PAMPHILL POST



Headteacher:"Shine like stars in the sky as you hold on to the word of life"<br/>(Philippians 2:15)Mr Wheeler(Philippians 2:15)

Friday 17th November 2023

Good afternoon everyone,

Firstly, apologies for the longer gap than usual between newsletters - it's been a busy few weeks. The children are right back in the run of things and deeply engaged in their learning. They (and you) have also been wonderful in supporting the various causes that we have engaged with in recent weeks. This started with the harvest donations which were very gratefully received by Wimborne food bank; the recent poppy appeal for remembrance; this week's odd socks day as part of anti-bullying week; and to see so many wearing their spots proudly today for



Children in Need. What surpasses all of this though, is the absolutely incredible response we have had to the children's, 'Be a Hero' project...

#### Be a Hero Projects

Stories have been dripping in from children and families about the incredible fundraising efforts they have been making in support of the pupils at the Emily Collins School in Kisoro, Uganda. There have been cake sales, teddy sales, physical challenges and footballing events to name a few; and the generosity our families continue to show as we teach the children about what it means to be a global citizen is outstanding. This Sunday is the flagship event of the project with the Pamphill 10 Fun Run (more details below), after which we will begin to collect the funds raised. We ask that any fundraising is brought to the school before the end of next week (Friday 24th November) so that we can direct it to the charity and have the desired impact as soon as possible. I will also be trying to arrange a celebration event in the coming weeks to commemorate the efforts of the children. More information to come in due course.



#### Pamphill 10

So this Sunday (19th) looks set to be a brilliant event in our calendar, and while the weather isn't being entirely cooperative, the PTFA have done a fantastic job of preparing a great fundraising event for the school. Not to mention the fact the children will have the chance to experience a style of running event they (probably) never have before. I have attached the poster again below for information but the key things are:

- Registration in the Cricket Pavillion between 10 and 10:30
- No parking up at Pamphill (use QE car parks)
- Be sure to grab a fancy coffee/tea/hot chocolate and snacks from the stand available!

#### Christmas

It seems mad to be talking about Christmas so early, but with 4 weeks of term to go, we are already bringing together our plans and preparing for the various Christmas events. Please find the details of each event below. Regarding the singing performance at Kingston Lacey, this has the potential to be a gorgeous little event. **If any children who are not in the choir would like to join in after school on the 7th December, please let us know.** 



<u>Christingle service:</u> Please limit yourselves to two guests per family as the children will also be sat in the pews. We are currently having difficulty gathering enough oranges as donations from local supermarkets. It might be the case that we ask the children to bring an orange to school with them for the making of the Christingles on Tuesday 5th December.

<u>Christmas performance</u>: Children will be dressed up in the roles given to them. You will receive this in the coming week but please do not allow this to cause undue stress. Unlike the movie, Hollywood is not coming, and of course we as a school will do our best to help with costumes at your request. We will have slightly more seating space for this so we could accommodate a grandparent or two. There is a need to set a maximum of 4 guests per family, however taking up less than that is not a bad thing. Please just be mindful that this is not an exact science and the more people there are, the more will be standing at the back with a poorer view.

<u>Christmas Fair:</u> Children will be encouraged to wear a Christmas Jumper with their school uniform for the final day of term. More information will follow but we

intend to follow a similar style of event to previous years that have been so successful - including a visit from Santa. The PTFA will request a donation to cover the cost of the event nearer the time.

Thank you again for all of your support, I hope to see lots of you on Sunday for the fun run.

Mr Wheeler

### **Upcoming School /PTFA Events**

#### Sunday 19th November: Pamphill 10 Fun Run

Wednesday 6th December, 9:30am: Christingle Service @ St. Stephen's Church
Thursday 7th December, 4-5pm: Choir + others performing Christmas songs at Kingston Lacey
Tuesday 12th December: School Trip to the Panto at the Lighthouse
Wednesday 13th December, 2pm: Christmas Performance @ St Stephen's Church
Thursday 14th December: Christmas Fair and celebrations in school hosted by the PTFA







# Pamphill 10 Fun Run Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November; 10-11am



For the first time there will be a junior race alongside the locally renowned Wimborne 10 race. The junior race, or 'Pamphill 10', will involve first school age participants (Year R – Y4) running a short distance to a lapped course of which they will complete as many laps as possible within 10 minutes, before heading back to cross the finish line. The aim being to complete as many laps as possible in the time allowed.

Registration: 10:00 - 10:30am in the cricket pavilion on Pamphill Green

Race Start: 10:40am at the start line

Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 pupils in each age group based on the number of laps completed. These will be circulated to the participant's school with a certificate. All entrants will enjoy the experience of running over the start and finish line, adorning a race number and a complimentary drink and snack after the race.

Further details can be found in the letter sent previously via Parentmail.