Friday 18th November 2022

Dear All,

**What’s been going on?**

This week has been business as usual. We have had two tours of the school for families that are thinking of sending their children to Perrymount in September 2023. Whenever I walk around the school it is always a pleasure and visitors are so impressed with the children’s confidence, behaviour and the displays of their work. Today, Year 6 have gone on a trip to the Imperial War Museum and certainly left filled with excitement.

**Parents Meetings.**

Years 6, 4 and 3 have had their open mornings this week and next week it is the turn of Years 1, 2 and 5. Reception’s is on Tuesday the 29th. Our open evening is on Thursday 24th November between 4 and 8pm. Please make sure you have made an appointment to see your child’s class teacher. Dialogue between home and school is a vital part of their education.

**Assemblies**

This week is ‘Anti-Bullying’ week. At Perrymount we have very little bullying behaviour but it is an important issue that we discuss regularly. My assembly focused upon the difference between bullying and unkind behaviours and how children should deal with all of these.

It was also lovely to hear the sound of Christmas songs echoing throughout the school during this week’s singing assembly. Today, as usual was our Friday celebration with children receiving certificates for their amazing achievements.

**Christmas – Don’t forget – Only two weeks to the Christmas Fair!**

* To send in any used Christmas jumpers that are now too small or too big.
* To volunteer to have a window display for our winter walk.
* To send in any loose change for our money tree.

**The Bottle Challenge**

So far we have received 101 bottles and the class who has collected the most is Year 5 with 26. Will they win the prize? One more week to go.

**Coming home today**

* School Photographs
* A letter regarding the cost of living crises and how we would like to help some families at this time of year.

**Safeguarding**

Please consider whether rucksacks with children’s names on the back are a good idea. I know they are in fashion, but for children who walk home alone I worry that any stranger can call your child by their name. This is a concern, so please think carefully.

Best wishes

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