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**NEWSLETTER 6: 25 November 2019**



**We raised an AMAZING £890.60 for Children In Need!**  
**Thank you to everyone for your generosity towards this very worthwhile cause.**



### Parent View 2019-20



As usual, governors administered the annual Parent View survey during parent consultation meeting evenings this half term.

Thank you to all of the parents/carers who were able to spare a minute or two to complete the survey on our iPads.

Parent View gives you the chance to tell us what you think about our school. It asks for your opinion on 14 aspects of your child's school and by sharing your views you will be helping us to improve.

The statements have changed this year to support the introduction of the new Ofsted inspection framework.

If you didn't have a chance to complete the survey, then please do visit Parent View at <https://www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk> or via our website: Our School > Ofsted & Parent View.

It is simple to do and we really value your feedback. Thank you to all of the governors who gave up their time to come in and help – what a great team!



### Week beginning 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Book Fair after school Mon to Thurs in hall

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup>:** Year 2 swimming (last session)

**Fri 29<sup>th</sup>:** Non-Uniform Day for the FOSS

Christmas Fair Non-Tin Tombola

Teacher led clubs finish today

### Week beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019

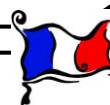
Santa's Grotto after school this week

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup>:** 3.15-5pm FOSS Christmas Fair



*Please see the previously issued calendar of key dates and events for the autumn term. Please also see our website calendar, as well as separate letters, for more information.*

### French phrase of the fortnight



This week our phrase of the fortnight is:

*'Je cherche...' ('shersh') 'I'm looking for...'*



**Christmas is coming – shop and fundraise at the same time!**

Christmas is coming and as you are all aware this usually involves shopping! Why not raise money for the school whilst you shop? As you will have read in previous newsletters, we have registered with School Angel – a charity that will help us raise money for our school through online shopping. **An amazing £1087.71 has already been raised!** Examples of online shopping sites that can be used through School Angel are **Next, Amazon, M&S, Argos, John Lewis, PC World, ToysRUs, The Entertainer, Superdrug, Boots, Jack Wills, Matalan** and many, many more. School Angel is really easy to use and our school has its own charity page already set up which you can visit using this link: <http://www.schoolangel.org.uk/summerlea-community-primary-school.html>

You can also visit via our own school website, where we have set up an icon called 'School Angel' which can be found under: Our School > Fundraising > School Angel. **So, next time you want to do some online shopping please do so via School Angel. Thank you for your support!**

**Bike Safety**

A reminder that if your child is cycling to or from school they must wear a safety helmet.



**Parking Promise**

A polite reminder to all parents to please drive and park legally, safely and considerately. Roads outside the school and in surrounding areas do get incredibly congested and dangerous, especially if parents are double-parked or parking on yellow lines. Pulling up on pavements also puts pedestrians at risk. We have also had reports of parents being verbally abusive towards local residents, which is not acceptable or appropriate.

Thank you for your cooperation and support. Inconsiderate and dangerous parking/driving can be reported to the police via 101 or at [www.operationcrackdown.org](http://www.operationcrackdown.org)



**Collection in memory of Mrs Refoy**

Following the very sad news we shared last week about Mrs Refoy, her family has let us know that they are raising money for the British Heart Foundation. We will provide further details about how to donate as soon as we have them. Thank you for all of your kind words and messages – these have been passed on and the family is very touched by everyone's love and support.

**Staffing news**

We will sadly be saying goodbye to Mrs Mitchelmore in December due to unforeseen personal circumstances. We thank her for all she has done in the short time she has been with us and wish her the very best for the future. We are in the process of advertising for another LSA to work in Year 4 during Mrs Vervecken's absence.



**New Parent Governor**

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Clare Smith (Reception parent) as our newly appointed parent governor. Congratulations to Clare and thank you for volunteering to join the team.

**Elf on the Shelf**

Last year it became apparent that this Christmas tradition is very popular with children. A reminder, ahead of December, that children's elves must remain at home please and are not to be brought into school. Thank you for your support.



**Healthy and Nut Free Lunch Boxes**

We encourage families to provide a balanced healthy snack and lunch for their child. Children should not have sweets, chocolate bars or fizzy drinks. A reminder also, to please not include products containing nuts in your child's lunch box. We have a number of children with nut allergies and the consequences can be severe and life threatening in some cases. Thank you for your co-operation.





### **Christmas Cards in School**

Christmas cards are a fundamental and great part of Christmas, and the opportunity to send good wishes to friends is highly valued.

The handling of Christmas cards for delivering and the sheer volume of cards in school, prior to the change we made some years ago, was a growing concern. We calculated that if every child sent a card to each member of their class there would be over 14,400 cards sent in school! Add to this cards to other friends, teachers and learning support assistants, other staff and the adults' own contributions, and it might be somewhere in the region of 16,500 (plus) cards. As a result of considering these amazing figures for one primary school, and in the light of our Eco School Status, it was decided to try and cut this amount.

Following the success and positive feedback from parents/carers, staff and pupils in previous years, Christmas card arrangements this year will be the same as previous years as follows:

- Children can make/buy one card to send to their class (home-made cards are welcome).
- Each child will be given the opportunity to present their card to their class by their teacher.
- All cards will be displayed in classrooms and a class 'winning' card will be chosen.
- All 'winning' cards will be brought together from each class in an assembly; the best 3 cards will be chosen and prizes awarded at the end of term.
- We would like all other cards that children may wish to send to friends distributed (with parents' help of course) outside of school – this can be before or after school on the playground.
- Staff will also be encouraged to produce one card for all their colleagues (we have previously had our own Christmas card competition in school!)

We hope all parents will help us in supporting this approach. Thank you.



### **Christmas Parties**

Key Stage 2 will be having their Christmas parties on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December. EYFS will have theirs on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December and Key Stage 1 will have theirs on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

We ask that each child brings in an individually named 'party pack' to eat – this should help reduce wastage and also avoid putting children with allergies at increased risk. The pack can include light party bites that your child will enjoy such as crisps, fruit, cheese and a sweet treat (please avoid products that contain nuts). Drinks (water and squash) will be provided by school. Parties will take place in the afternoon, after lunch, so your child will not require lots of food. If you have any questions about this please speak to your child's class teacher. Thank you for your support.



# FOSS

Friends Of Summerlea School

## NON UNIFORM DAY FOR NON TIN TOMBOLA

### FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

*On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November all children will be able to come to school wearing their own clothes.*

*A non-tin tombola donation is requested for the Christmas Fair.*

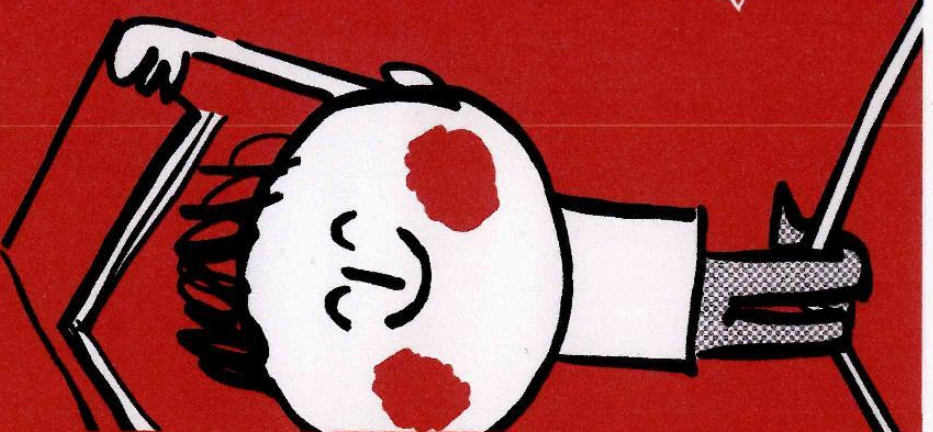
*As always, we are hugely grateful for your support!*





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## Rustington After School Club Christmas Party



**Wednesday 27th November**  
**3:30 - 5:30pm**



**All families welcome, pre-school  
to 11 years**

*\*children must be accompanied by a parent / carer at all times*

**Refreshments Arts & Crafts Festive Fun**



**Rustington Parish Church Hall**

St Peter & St Paul, 77 The Street, Rustington, BN16 3NL



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