



Newsletter

Term: AUTUMN 2019

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Dear Parents, Carers and Children

Well another action packed two weeks is coming to an end. Here are just a few updates to share:

- **Children in Need:** Many thanks for your generous contributions and huge thanks to School Council for organising the cake sales (photos below). A total of £595 was raised.
- **Waitrose Green Token Scheme:** I am pleased to let you know that £273.70 was raised for North Downs Primary School last month through the green token scheme. Thank you for your support!
- **Message from Dorking Area Foodbank:** *'A massive thank you to the staff, parents and pupils of North Downs School for your amazing food collection at Harvest this year. In total you donated 303.56Kgs of food, all of which will be given out in the next 6 weeks to support families in our community who will struggle to buy enough food to feed themselves this Christmas. Thank you - You have made a real difference this year. Wishing you all a very happy Christmas and peaceful New Year'.*



REMINDERS AND DATES

- **Moles and Breakfast Club:** will begin on **Monday 6th of January** - as soon as we return to school. Could any parents let us know if their child will not be attending that week by emailing: moles@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk
- **Parent Governor Elections:** Please remember to return your ballot paper in the envelopes sent home on Wednesday. Ballot papers were sent via Tucasi but hard copies are available at each of the school offices. Ballot papers need to be returned to school, having been put firstly in the small plain envelope, and then in the labelled envelope, with your details completed on the front. If you have any questions or queries please do pop into the school office. Ballot papers must be returned to school by 12 noon on **Wednesday 11th December, 2019.**
- **Swimming:** Please note that swimming lessons have now finished for this term. Swimming will resume again in January.
- **Junior Production - 'Straw and Order':** For the evening productions next week we ask that children return to school no earlier than 5.30pm. They will need to go straight to their classrooms. We estimate that the performance will last approximately 70 minutes. We would therefore ask that parents collect the children at 7.15pm.
- **Message from Mrs Tubb...**A huge thank you to the very kind parent who handed her lost property in to the Brockham office earlier this week!



Above are a few photos from the Year 2's Magical Mapping topic...using compasses...which way is north Mrs Tubb?

MORE SPORTING SUCCESS...

Year 5 & 6 Girls Football: The girls finished first on goal difference and played some outstanding football (Tilly was player of the tournament) and will now represent the district in the County Finals.

Gymnastics: Year 3/4 - Annie gained 3rd place on Floor Routine, Gracie 6th place in Body Management and overall the team finished 5th (Year 4) & 6th place (Year 3).

Year 5/6 - Izzy gained 4th place in Body Management and Vault also 1st place in Floor Routine. Poppy achieved 3rd place on Floor and Amber 3rd on Vault. Overall the team finished 2nd.

All the children involved showed great discipline in their events and the level of the tournament was very high with over 50 children competing in each age group.



FRIENDS' MATTERS

Thank you so much to everyone who came to our Christmas Shopping Event, it was a lovely evening and we hope you all enjoyed yourselves.

Christmas Fair - We look forward to seeing you all this afternoon at the fair. **Please** could we remind people to park considerately for the event.

Christmas Disco! We are holding Christmas Discos for the children at the end of term.

- **Friday 13th December 3.30-4.15pm** Reception children's disco will be held at the Betchworth Site (more details to follow separately)
- **Thursday 19th December** - All other year group's disco

Tickets will be available via www.ptaevents.co.uk/fonds from **Monday 2nd December**.

Photos below from the FONDS Christmas Shopping Event...



Always remember to check the updated Diary Dates on the following page
(Note: dates in italics have been added or changed/updated this week)

Yours sincerely

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Finally...

Have a lovely weekend everybody...

Autumn Term 2019

Weds 4 th Dec	Junior Christmas Show 'Straw and Order' 1.30pm and 6.00pm
Thurs 5 th Dec	Junior Christmas Show 'Straw and Order' 6.00pm
Tues 10 th Dec	Reception Christmas Performance - Betchworth Church 1.30pm
Weds 11 th Dec	Leigh Year 1 and 2 Performance - Leigh Church 1.30pm
Thurs 12 th Dec	Brockham Year 1 and 2 Performance - Brockham Church 1.30pm
Fri 13 th Dec	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Tues 17 th Dec	Junior Carols - Christ Church, Brockham at 7.00pm
Fri 20 th Dec	LAST DAY OF TERM Early Closure: R/KS1 - 1pm KS2 - 1.15pm

Term and Holiday Dates 2019/2020
 (updated to reflect the changed May Bank holiday 2020)
 ...are available on Surrey County Council website
<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/school-term-dates>
 1st) 04/09/2019; 2) 25/10/2019; 3) 24/02/2020; 4) 22/05/2020; 5) 22/07/2020