

know when you can collect them. If there is anyone who didn't manage to get to the exhibition who still wishes to purchase their child's framed artwork, please contact the school office.

Christmas Charity

Over the last few years we have chosen a Christmas Charity for the whole school to support. This year, we are supporting 'Wirral Homeless' . We are raising funds that will be used to feed the homeless over the coming months. We will have donation buckets at each Christmas Performance this year and would be very grateful if you would make a small donation to this charity. In the New Year, more information will be sent home about this. Thank you.

I have also been told that any good condition toys and books that are no longer wanted, can be dropped off at Pensby Children's Centre - these will be given to children who would otherwise go without present at Christmas time.

School Nurse

We have a new School Nurse, Clair Acock. Clair used to be a parent of pupils at the school (they are very grown up now and make me feel terribly old!). She is passionate about Pensby Primary and we are thrilled to have her as our School Nurse. Clair is offering a 'drop in' for any parents who would like to speak to her on Monday 11th December 8.45m to 10.00am. Please do come along.

Heswall Round Table Carol Wagon

On Monday 4th December, the PTA and some staff will be manning the Heswall Round Table Carol Wagon. We need 5 more adults to help out on the evening (please let the school office know if you can help - no one under 18 is allowed on the wagon!). Do look out for us coming along. This event raises money for local charities including our school and it is a magical evening full of Christmas excitement!

After School Clubs

The following after school clubs have now finished for this term: Taekwondo, EYFS football, Mrs Gilleece football, Mrs Gilleece netball, Change4Life.

Wraparound Provision

The following information was sent out to you via email this week:

As you may be aware the new 30 hour provision started this September in our Nursery has been a huge success and with the integration of Wrap and Nursery it has proven to be a brilliant EYFS unit. We have already had to increase the number of places to allow for more room for children. This has unfortunately meant that there is no longer a huge demand for Wraparound service. We are aware that some families still use some of the Wraparound features but it has been a decision of the Governing Body that from January 2018 there will be no morning, afternoon or full day sessions available for families to book in Wraparound. We will still be able to offer lunch service from 11.45-12.30pm which will still be a bookable service. We will also as of January 2018 no longer offer the rising 3 provision due to the rise in 30 hour places. We do apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and urge that if you have concerns or reservations that you put these in writing to the Chair of Governors.

This information relates to Wraparound only. Thank you.

Christmas events

Our Christmas events are fast approaching!

Christmas performances - there are 2 tickets per family for each performance on TUCASI and these are detailed in the account of the oldest child in the family. The dress rehearsal is on Tuesday 12th at 9.30am and you do not need tickets to come and watch the rehearsal. Please note that for ALL performances, children under school age (including babies) will not be admitted to the performance. A crèche will be open during each performance and any children under pre-school age will go into the crèche. Tickets will be sent home next week - the week of 4th December. We will email you to let you know when they are in book bags!

Children's Christmas lunch

The children in Reception, year 1 and year 2 have Universal Free School meals and so their Christmas lunch is already paid for. If you do not wish your Reception, year 1 or year 2 children to have a Christmas lunch you need to let the school office know.

Children in years 3 to 6 need to pay for their Christmas lunch through TUCASI, unless they are eligible for Free School meals. If your child is eligible for Free school meals and you do not wish them to have Christmas lunch you need to let us know.

If your child is in Nursery and you wish them to have a Christmas lunch please pay for this through TUCASI. **TUCASI will close for this event at 2.30pm on Friday 1st December - no bookings will then be taken.**

Film night

These tickets can be paid for through TUCASI against each child's account. **TUCASI will close for this event at 2.30pm on Friday 1st December - no bookings will then be taken.**

Childrens Christmas Fair and Christmas Jumper day - Friday 15th December

Send your child to school in their Christmas Jumpers (mine is ready!) and with a £1 donation for the appeal. Also send them with no more than £5 to spend at the Christmas Fair in the afternoon. Santa will be there!

Parking

We are very fortunate to have the parking facilities we have and speaking to our South Deeside Federation schools and other local schools highlights this. Having said that, all schools have parking issues and ours is usually centred on the roads around the site. In the past few weeks I have heard of cars travelling down Greenbank Drive in excess of 20MPH, cars mounting the pavements on Penmon to park and narrowly missing children and cars parking on the single yellow lines at peak times and obstructing access. We have been looking at how we can improve things, there is a lot we can do about the site, such as improving the barrier and entry to the site. The reality is that out on the roads, only drivers can improve the situation. The governors of Stanley and Pensby will be meeting with Wirral's Road Safety team in December, who may have some other solutions. In the meantime, road users all need to stop, think and consider the children - accidents so easily happen, care and consideration will prevent them.

And finally,

You should have had an email about TUCAI alerts. This is a very useful service that will alert you to balances in your TUCASI account. If you need any help activating this facility, please let the school office know.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Brown'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mrs. K Brown - Headteacher