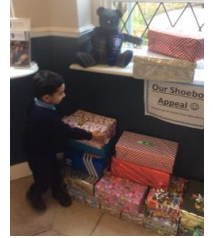




Dear Parents,



We welcome you back to Kindergarten after the two week break and look forward to a busy and fun filled half term leading up to Christmas!



Thank you to all of you who have donated a Christmas shoebox for the Operation Christmas Child appeal. The children were very excited to come into school and tell their friends about their gifts. This appeal is optional but if you wish to contribute a shoebox, the deadline is next Friday 17th November at the latest.



This week, Grandpa Bear has been telling us all about poppies. We have made a special poppy headband and a large poppy to give to the local Royal British Legion for Remembrance Day on Sunday. We also say a special thank you to our visitor who came to see the children today. Don't forget we will be collecting for the Poppy Appeal next week too.



The children have had lots of fun learning the sound 'm' this week. We have explored the 'm' sound box, written it in the sand and we especially loved tasting yummy marshmallows!



We have eagerly started to learn about Autumn festivals and begun to sing Christmas songs. Next Friday (17.11.17) we will be having a non-school uniform day for Children in Need. We ask the children to come to school dressed in something spotty and to bring a donation of £2. We will also be having a raffle to win a Pudsey Bear so if your child would like to buy a ticket strip, it will be an additional £1.

Next week our sound will be 'a', we will be learning the circle shape and taking on mathematical activities when we find out about puppy number 2.

A few notes, requests/reminders:

- As the weather is getting colder, please ensure that your child has their hat, scarf and gloves at school and that they are **fully labelled**.

Dates and Events:

- **Friday 17th November – Children in Need Day (see details above).**
- **Thursday 30th November - Christmas Extravaganza.**
- **Kindergarten Nativity Play - K2 children only (details to follow).**
- **Wednesday 13th December - Christmas dinner for the children.**
- **Thursday 14th December – Children's Christmas Party 1:00pm – 2:50pm (details to follow).**
- **Friday 15th December – Christmas Jumper Day! Break up for half term.**
- **Monday 8th January 2018 - Children to return to school.**



Kind regards,
Miss Jill and the Kindergarten Team.