



Whiteshill Weekly News

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Christmas at Whiteshill!



If you have been up into the office, you will have noted that Christmas has most definitely arrived at Whiteshill School! There are a whole host of exciting events coming up, starting tomorrow with our big fundraiser – the Festive Fayre!

Please come and join us from 2.15pm onwards until 5.30pm for an afternoon of fun that will really get you in the Christmas spirit. Parents entry is from 2.15 to allow you chance to shop in the peace and quiet before the children come out (!) and public entrance is from 3.15pm. You will need to collect your child as normal at this time so that we know they have all gone safely to an adult but you can then continue looking round the fayre with them in tow!

The hall will be full of a range of stalls selling crafts and gifts so you can buy some presents for Christmas. There will be mulled wine, tea and coffee as well as mince pies and festive treats for you to buy so you can stay for a chat and a bit of refreshment. In class 4, there will be games to play including hook-a-bauble, teddy tombola, snowman bowling and many more! The Scouts will be hosting a Christmas space-themed craft activity and playgroup will be raising funds with a second-hand toy stall. Outside the staffroom, we have an 'Elfie Selfie stop! Where you can come pay for the chance to have a photo with your friends and family with a range of funny and festive props for a really fun picture – printed while you wait! Finally, most exciting of all, the Friends Grotto Team have spent the whole day today decorating Santa's Grotto out in the cabin and it really is something special...please visit our Facebook page for a sneak peek! Each child who attends school will now be able to visit the grotto for free and Santa has a gift for them to take away courtesy of the Friends of Whiteshill. Siblings, cousins and friends can also visit the grotto for £1 a ticket. It really is something special and I can't thank the team enough for putting it together for the children – what a treat!

Don't forget – bring cash as it is a cash only event and there will be plenty to spend your money on we hope!

I have asked school council to help out with running one of the stalls and they have made their snowmen today in preparation. If your child is on school council and they are able to stay and help out with the stall it would be much appreciated, even if it is for a short time. You can have a look round the fayre whilst they do their stint on the stall. They did ask if they could wear Christmas jumpers and hats etc and I have said they are very welcome too but they don't have to so please don't go to any trouble!

There has been a huge amount of preparation by the Friends group and we are really hoping it will be a great start to the Christmas season in school. Please do come along and look round and support the school - we are looking forward to seeing you all there!



The Community Christmas Tree Festival is still on this week at St Laurence Church, Stroud – you can see our tree tomorrow from 9:30 am – 8:30 pm as part of Stroud's Goodwill Evening and on Saturday 8th from 9:30 am – 5:00 pm or Sunday 9th 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm followed by a 4:00 pm Christmas Tree Festival "SONGS OF PRAISE"

