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## January 2024 Newsletter 5

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# Moon's Moat First School

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Dear Parents,

We hope that you all enjoyed the Christmas break and that you are refreshed and looking forward to the year ahead.

We have lots of exciting topics for the children this half term. Year 4 will be making their own chocolates and designing a chocolate box. Year 3 will be learning about our extreme earth and Key Stage 1's topic is Pirates. Early Years will be reading and learning all about bears (including teddy bears!)

We celebrated with the children who achieved 100% attendance last term by awarding certificates and books in assembly this morning. Well done to them all! We will continue to celebrate good attendance each week with the class attendance cup and at the end of each term with more certificates and prizes.

Thank you for all your support.

Mrs. S. Fisher

Headteacher

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### Change of Details

If you have recently changed your emergency contact telephone number or details, or you have started work please let us know. It is very important that we are able to contact you in an emergency and distressing for children when we cannot. (Please note that emergency contact numbers given for school visits are not used to update records as these numbers are requested to cover the day of the visit only).

### Toys 4 Life

We will be having a Toys 4 Life collection this half term.

Toys 4 Life is a plastic toy recycling scheme which aims to reduce the amount of plastic which is thrown away. They will collect reusable plastic toys from school and export them to third world countries and socially deprived areas where people are unable to afford new toys. School will receive a payment based on the weight of the toys we collect so we will benefit as well.

We will send out more details soon so please have a sort out (probably much needed after Christmas!) and get them ready to send in to us!

Toys 4 Life will accept plastic toys, soft toys, wooden toys, Lego, musical toys and battery operated toys but will not collect jigsaws or damaged toys. Thank you!

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## Upcoming Events

January 15

Closing date for first and middle school applications

February 10 & 11

St. Leonard's Church Snowdrop Weekend

March 6

Year 3 visit to Bishops Wood

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## In the Community

As you may have seen on social media the gifts which were distributed locally for the



appeal were really gratefully received. We have had some lovely letters from the residents who received them saying what a difference the gifts and cards made to their Christmas.

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### St. Leonard's Church Snowdrop Festival and Competition

St. Leonard's will be holding their annual snowdrop weekend on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February.

They are also offering a competition for children to design a garden, thinking about what insects and animals live there. The garden can be in any form, for example, on paper or as a model, and the children can use whatever materials they wish to make it. St. Leonard's would like a little explanation describing the garden, the animals and insects that live there and how the garden will look after them.

Our KS2 (Years 3 and 4) children will be preparing their entries in school but if any younger children would like to enter they can design their garden at home and bring it into school before 8<sup>th</sup> February when someone from the church will come to collect all the entries.

There will be 3 winners' vouchers as prizes. We hope that lots of the children will send in entries!

Our Value for January is Responsibility