

05/12/2024



Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope you are all well.

Our first fundraiser of the year was a great success. We are able to reveal at this point the event made approximately **£1300**. We will be able to give a total figure by next week. Once again we would like to thank everyone that helped in one way or another to make it such an lovely afternoon and definitely got us into the festive spirit.

Some announcements:

Saturday 7th December – 9:30am till 12:30pm

Emmanuel School has their Christmas Fair this Saturday. We have just been informed that due to the bad weather their Christmas Fair is being moved inside the school. In order for the fair organisers to set up in time for a 2pm start, the school has asked that we finish a little earlier this Saturday at **12:30pm**. We kindly ask that you please pick up promptly as **12:30pm** in order to avoid safeguarding issues with people arriving to set up for the fair. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Also as we will not have access to the lower classroom where drop off usually takes place, please wait at the gate and some from the Committee will direct/take the children to their classrooms. Pick up will work the same as every week.

Christmas Celebration (last day of term) - 14th December 2024

Just a reminder that this will take place at the church hall. Please bring the children to the hall at **9:30am** for rehearsal. Then parents and family are invited to come back at **11:00am** for the start of for Celebration.

At the end of the celebration there will be a spread of food and drink for all to enjoy. This spread is all kind contributions from the parents/carers and so a sign up will be circulated soon.

We also remind you that the 14th will also be the last day of term. So no school on 21st December.

We always have a special visit from Father Christmas and we are looking for a Father Christmas. If anyone is willing to play this very important role next week please reply to this email. Thank you.

Christmas Gifts for the Teachers

With the end of term fast approaching, we would like to start collecting contributions towards gifts for our brilliant teachers.

To make things easier for parents, we have set up a collection link:

<https://pay.collectiv.com/holy-cross-greek-school-teacher-christmas-gift-26301>

If you do want to contribute, there is a suggested contribution from each family of £20 but it is of course entirely up to you.

Please do so by ***Wednesday 10th December***

Finally and most importantly, please do not feel you have to contribute to this collection. We know that some people prefer to make their own arrangements and if you have already arranged a collection for your own class teacher please let us know.

Teaching Staff

We are happy to announce that we have three new members of the Teaching staff joining our wonderful team of teachers.

Andreas Theodosiou- Year 3/Ellinomathia A1

Ilias Lantzas - Year 2

Maria Konstatinou - Teaching Assistant

Just to confirm that the teaching staff for all classes from start of the Spring Term January 2024 will be as follows:

Maria Golfinopoulou - Nursery

Katerina Petridou - Reception

Ioanna Langa- Year 1

Elias Lantzas- Year 2

Andreas Theodosiou- Year 3/Ellinomathia A1

Maria - Teaching Assistant

Spring Term Start Date: Saturday 11th January 2025

Finally we want to thank you all for your support and patience during this transitional period for the Greek School. We are grateful for your continued support. Any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes

The School Committee

