

**Open Evening:** *We are holding an Open Evening from 5pm to 7pm on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December. This is an opportunity for prospective parents and current parents to visit the school and have a tour around all the classes.*

***Please tell your friends about this event, especially those with school starters 2019.***

**Personal goals:** This week we have focussed on ‘**communication**’. How good are your children at communicating clearly and politely with children and adults? Next week we will look at ‘**being adaptable**’.

**Individual and family photographs:** The new photographer will be in school on Monday. For family groupings please arrive between 7:30 and 8:30

**Children in Need:** Next Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> we will support Children in Need. In return for a £1:00 donation, children can come to school in their home clothes. They may want to adopt the usual ‘spotty’ Children in Need theme – there are some Pudsey headbands available that would look great on everyone!

**Author visit:** The author Grant Koper will come to school on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> to read his new book ‘The Day Granny’s Knickers blew Away’. There will be the chance to buy a signed copy of his book – at just £6:00. Please email [hello@newislingtonschool.org](mailto:hello@newislingtonschool.org) if you would like Grant to bring a signed copy for your child. The perfect Christmas present perhaps?

**Disco:** Our first even disco was a great success and we made just over £400 profit. Roll on the Christmas Fair! The next PTA meeting is Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 4pm. We will plan the Christmas Fair – please come along.

**PTA Christmas Fair:** This will be held on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December from 5:30 to 7:00. **This is a new date.** We will be asking for donations – *on the day of donations, children can come to school in their home clothes.*

- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November: Donations of **bottles** (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) for the bottle tombola AND / OR **chocolate** for the chocolate tombola AND/OR donations of **lovely items** (biscuits, jams, pickles, crackers, teas, coffees) that can be packed into hampers for the raffle.
- We will be holding a raffle – prizes welcomed. Chat to the class reps with your ideas for high quality prizes.

**Parent Forum:** Our Autumn term Parent Forum is on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 9:00. This is a chance for parents to come along with questions and queries, and also to tell me what’s going well. I would like to gather parental views as to your priorities for the school as we move forward.

**New school email:** You can contact us via the new website, or on our new email address – [hello@newislingtonschool.org](mailto:hello@newislingtonschool.org)

**INSET days:** The term dates are on our new website – the final INSET day has now been arranged. This is Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019 when children will NOT be in school.

**Days and Dates:**

New events will be indicated in **bold and underlined**.

Week beginning	Event
12 <sup>th</sup> November	<p><b><u>Monday 12<sup>th</sup>: Football event for Year 3 girls at The Armitage Centre</u></b>  Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November: Photographer in school – a new company. They will be taking family and individual photos. Family grouping with younger siblings will be taken before school – details to follow with timings.  Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>: Autumn Term Parent Forum @ 9:00 – a Q&amp;A session for all parents  <b><u>Friday 16<sup>th</sup>: Author visit and book signing – Grant Koper. Please email if you would like to pre-order a copy. See details above.</u></b>  Friday 16<sup>th</sup>: Children in Need day - see details above  Friday 16<sup>th</sup>: PTA meeting at 4pm – everyone welcome.</p>
19 <sup>th</sup> November	<p>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>: Myths and Legends workshops for Year 2.  Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>: Year 5 cake sale @ 3:30 (PTA event)  Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>: Band on the Wall – Guide to World Music taster session</p>
26 <sup>th</sup> November	<p>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> : Science workshop for 4 pupils in Year 5 at MGS  Friday 30<sup>th</sup>: Donations of chocolate, bottles and hamper items (See notes above)  Saturday 1<sup>st</sup>: Band on the Wall – Guide to World Music taster session</p>
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	<p>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> / Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> : EYFS nativity @ 9:30  <b><u>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>: Open Evening for existing and prospective parents from 5 to 7pm – a chance to tour the school</u></b>  Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>: Panto for whole school am/pm  Friday 7<sup>th</sup>: Piano recital @ 9:00 performed by our pianists taught by Mrs Gregory. Parents welcome.  Friday 7<sup>th</sup>: Christmas fair (PTA event) REVISED DATE  Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>: Band on the Wall – Guide to World Music taster session</p>
10 <sup>th</sup> December	<p>No teacher run clubs after school this week – football, rattle and roll, rhythm and rhyme, and basketball as normal.  Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> / Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>: KS1 nativity @ 9:30  Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>: Band on the Wall – Guide to World Music taster session</p>
17 <sup>th</sup> December	<p>No teacher run clubs after school this week – no football, rattle and roll, no rhythm and rhyme, and no basketball.  Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Dinner Day (book on as a ‘one off’) and Christmas Jumper Day supporting Manchester Children’s Hospital.  Christmas parties this week  <b><u>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>: KS2 carols at Halle St Michaels @ 6:30 with a recital from the RNCM musicians – all KS2 pupils are expected to attend – more details to follow</u></b>  Friday 21<sup>st</sup>: Finish for the holidays</p>

