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BBC

Children in Need

PYJAMA DAY – FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER

On Friday 17th November, we'll be celebrating Children in Need, raising money towards important causes.

All children are encouraged to come to school dressed in pyjamas to mark the occasion! Please, try to make sure all children wear different outfits, to encourage creativity amongst all!

We'll invite children to bring £1-2 donations to school (which can be given to teachers or left in our school post-box).

THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL COFFEE MORNING ON FRIDAY MORNING. NO WORKSHOP: JUST FRIENDLY CONVERSATIONS AROUND A HOT DRINK!



NATIVITY PERFORMANCES

This year, our Christmas performances will take place on the following dates.

- 🕒 Wednesday 13th December: Nativity Play by Year 1 and Year 2, 09:30-10:30 and 14:00-15:00
- 🕒 Monday 18th December: Carol Concert by Reception, 09:30-10:30 and 14:00-15:00
- 🕒 Tuesday 19th December: Carol Concert by Year 3, Year 4, and Year 5, , 09:30-10:30 and 14:00-15:00

You can book up to 3 tickets per family at www.lafontaineacademy.org/nativity-productions.



SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATES

Our School Councillors are busy surveying children to see if a Tuck Shop selling healthy snacks at playtime could be organised.

They are also planning a series of fundraisers over the coming weeks to then purchase some permanent equipment for our new playground in our new site.



AIMING FOR 97.5% FOR ATTENDANCE AND 100% FOR PUNCTUALITY

We have noticed that a few families have asked for time off to go on holiday early. As you know, this is something we cannot authorise. You need to be aware that we have a duty to report unauthorised absences to Bromley Council and that fines can be issued to families who don't adhere to our school policy in terms of attendance (see here for our policy: www.lafontaineacademy.org/policies). We thank you for your cooperation.

	MARIE CURIE (RECEPTION)	YANNICK NOAH (RECEPTION)	SIMONE DE BEAUVOIR (YEAR 1)	MARIE JOSE PEREC (YEAR 1)	HAROUN TAZIEFF (YEAR 2)	GEORGE SAND (YEAR 2)	JACQUES- YVES COUSTEAU (YEAR 3)	JACQUES DERRIDA (YEAR 3)	LUCIE AUBRAC (YEAR 4)	SIMONE VEIL (YEAR 5)	TOTAL
LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE (%)	90.3	95.9	99.7	98 🏆	95.7	95.7	97.9	100 🏆	97	91.9	96
ATTENDANCE SINCE SEPTEMBER (%)	96.9	96.5	97.4	96.6	97.4	96.9	97.3	97.3	96.9	94.6	96.8
LAST WEEK'S PUNCTUALITY (%)	99.2	99.1	99.1	98.8	99.6	99.3	98.8	99.8	99.3	99.5	99.3

ATTENDANCE MATTERS LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

We are committed to ensuring that all our pupils make the most of their educational opportunities at La Fontaine and recognise that this can only be achieved through regular school attendance.



TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER, FROM 19:00 ONWARDS – DON'T TELL THE CHILDREN!

Please, come and help us decorate our school on Tuesday 5th December, from 19:00.

Traditionally, people in France put up their Christmas tree on St Nicolas' feast day (6th December).

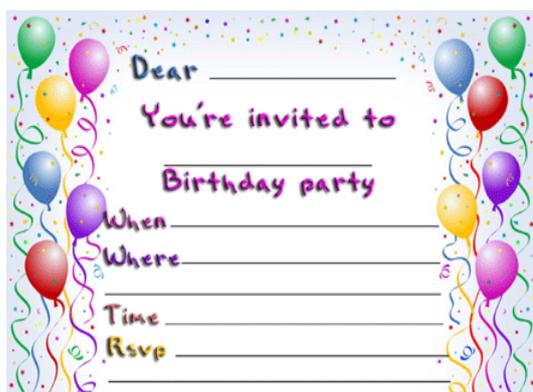
For the past 3 years, we have organised for our Christmas tree to go up on 5th December, and it's always been a great success, putting extraordinary smiles on our children's faces as they come to school the next day.

Mulled wine and mince pies will be provided courtesy of the PTA! Note that we have enough Christmas decorations and that donations, this year, won't be needed.

PARTY INVITATIONS

Seeing children develop great friendships is great, and we're pleased to see that many playdates, etc., are being organised by families. This is a brilliant way to develop children's social skills.

Can families, however, be mindful when organising such events? Children not receiving invitations can often be left quite upset and this is something we are keen to avoid. Arrangements should therefore be made between families – ideally, via Classlist – and cards/invitations should not be given out in the playground. Thank you for your collaboration.



KEEP IN TOUCH THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Check our regular updates on Facebook and Twitter and share with your friends and family. See www.facebook.com/lafontaineacademy and www.twitter.com/FontaineAcademy.





PARENTS & TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

www.ptalafontaine.org.uk



FUNDRAISING

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

The PTA organise various events and run regular activities throughout the year to help raise more money towards improving equipment and resources to enhance our children's education and the facilities within the school.

SUMMARY OF THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FIRST HALF TERM:

- 📌 Popcorn and Halloween Party fundraising raised **£2,333.23**.
- 📌 Monthly giving, other donations and Cashback scheme to end October 2017 raised **£967.09**.
- 📌 Overall spending last half term **£2,894.99**.

easyfundraising .org.uk

RAISE MONEY WHEN CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

are **over 2,700+ online retailers** taking part in EasyFundraising, [click here to start now](#). There are other ways you can raise money for La Fontaine beyond PTA fundraising events. Full details and links to join the various schemes are available on our website: www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/donate

Please use EasyFundraising while online shopping. This cost you nothing whereas money is raised for La Fontaine Academy! There

GRANTS AND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

If you aware of any grants or fundraising opportunities to which the school could apply, please contact the Grants and Fundraising committee via Erica Nelson (single point of contact). The committee is also in charge of allocating the funds raised according the prioritised list agreed with the school.

LA FONTAINE WINTER FAIR – SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2017

We now start to plan the Christmas/Winter Fair which will be held on Saturday 9th December (12-3pm) again in the hall at Bishop Justus school.

[Carey Lyseight](#) - Mum of Marly the girl in Year 1 Marie-José Pérec – has very kindly volunteer to coordinate this event. We thank her sincerely and we hope that you will be able to help her and support her!

If anyone feels they can spare some time setting up, helping with any events on the day (such as the tombola or raffle) and tidying, that is most welcome! Again, please let her know through Classlist or in the playground and she will note your names down. Any time you can spare, no matter how small is a help.





STALL SPACE TO RENT

Last year, we had some parents rent a stall space where you can sell / promote your goods and businesses. Again, if anyone has interest in taking up a stall, please let her know through Classlist or in the playground as soon as possible so we can allocate a space for you. More details will follow about this.

These events can't happen without parents' involvement.



CHRISTMAS TREES TO ORDER

The PTA are delighted to announce that we have secured a great discount from a local [Layhams Farmshop](#) to provide us with top quality Nordic Non-Drop Christmas Trees.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the PTA to raise some funds as we will be able to retain a percentage of the sales – and you will have to look no further for the best Christmas trees! For more details, contact Fiona at Fiona@businessjunction.co.uk.



CHRISTMAS CARDS

Another fantastic opportunity for children and parents to have their artwork turned into professionally printed Christmas Cards.

Please find a letter explaining the process with an order form in your child/children's bookbag.



FONTAINE LINKEDIN GROUP

Please join the "[La Fontaine Academy professional connections](#)" group on LinkedIn. We would like to increase professional connections between parents and carers, and with the school. This will help us to make use of any

talents or skills in our community for the benefit of the school, and to increase connections between working parents.

HELPING PARENTS AND CARERS BUSINESSES

We encourage La Fontaine Academy's parents and carers to send us information about their businesses, to support and grow the La Fontaine community. More info is available at www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/offers.



BUY STIKINS® NAME LABELS

[STIKINS®](#) are multipurpose name labels that simply stick onto all school items, including shoes and bags, lunch boxes and water bottles, school equipment, and phones and tablets. You can get them from www.labelplanet.co.uk or www.name-labels.com. Please quote La Fontaine fundraising number 33431 when ordering and the PTA will get a commission.

We thank all the parents that bought some labels already. We got back £140 from last year.