# **TURTON ALUMNI NEWS**

December 2016



Merry Christmas to all former Turton students.



### **Operation Christmas Child.**

Operation Christmas Child is the world's largest children's Christmas project, bringing hope and joy into the lives of some of the world's poorest children. It does this through a gift-filled shoebox delivered to children who are living in poverty, who are ill in hospital, who have been orphaned, abandoned, who are living on the streets or who have been the victims of war. Organised by Mrs Bailey donations were received from staff and students and 135 complete boxes were sent off. Alumni Heritage Group

# **Christmas Fair**

The PTA annual Christmas Fair was held on 18<sup>th</sup> November. The weather was against us with freezing wind and rain the attraction of and Children In Need on TV may have kept some people away. However visitor numbers were steady and the PTA raised over £1,000. This money will be used to fund those nice extras for the school. This year the PTA have bought state of the art equipment for the PE department so that they can do interactive lessons with students.



## Macmillan Cancer Support

A cake sale was organised to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. A range of delicious cakes were baked and eaten by staff and students.





#### Arts Trip

GCSE Art & Design had a trip to London in October. They visited Tate Britain, The Saatchi Gallery, Tate Modern and The National Gallery.

Miss Gray (Head of Art) said that the Art & Design students were absolutely fantastic and a real credit to the school.





#### An old building!

Built in 1954 our building is shown signs of age. Over the past 5 years we have had to have a lot of work completed with a new heating system and recently repairs to the roof and the gutters. We also have a rolling programme to try and replace the single pane windows throughout the school as well as general day to day maintenance. Although some of this is funded by the Local Authority the school does have to contribute money for repairs.

During the recent bad weather part of our Sports Centre roof lifted. This has been mended but we know that the roof will need replacing in the not too distant future. We love having a community Sports Centre attached to the school but this may be a luxury that we cannot continue with if we need to find funds to replace the roof. This makes our Buy A Block appeal even more important as we try to raise funds to help the school.

We would love our Alumni to support us by buying a block which can be engraved with words of your choice and will be displayed on the Sports Centre wall.

The blocks cost £35 for up to 2 lines and £60 for up to 4 lines.

Block can be ordered by completing the form below and returning to Gill Burns at Turton School



# Turton School Parents' Association Buy a Block Donation Form

Please complete either:

A donation of £35 for a standard block with 2 lines of 16 lettering for your message including spaces.

Or:

A donation of £60 for 3 or 4 lines of lettering including spaces for your message.

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I enclose my payment of £ \_\_\_\_\_

(All cheques to be made payable to Turton School Parents' Association)

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Bricks forming the commemorative wall will be entrusted to Turton School and guaranteed that they will be displayed for a minimum of 10 years unless damaged or due to events outside our control. All purchases and donations will be acknowledged and will receive a certificate.

Please tick:

Please treat this donation as being via the Gift Aid Scheme. I am a UK taxpayer.

If you require more information please contact Gill Burns Tel: 01204 333233 Email: burnsg@turton.uk.com



### Turton launches School Direct

School Direct at Turton is an innovative school led primary and secondary teacher-training programme designed and formed through a strategic partnership between Turton School and Egerton Community Primary School. The school has partnered with Liverpool John Moores University to provide high quality teacher training.

The school has many years of experience in offering Initial Teacher Training, which has led to a resoundingly positive reputation. This experience is being used to expand teacher training offered by the school.

#### New menus

With a new catering manager in place then the school is placing even more emphasis on healthy foods. Out go the jars and in come fresh ingredients. New recipes include enchiladas and Thai green curry all prepared from basic ingredients.

During International Day food from around the world was prepared by the team and enjoyed by staff and students.