



Principal Informer

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Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach the end of the autumn term the children are becoming very excited about the forthcoming festive events. The children in Foundation and Key Stage 1 have enjoyed practising their nativity and Years 3 and 4 are rising to the aspirational challenge of performing a pantomime. We look forward to presenting them to you in the next couple of weeks.

It was great to see parents and carers in school last Friday for Deck the Halls Day. This was an opportunity for parents to work alongside their children with curriculum activities. Next term we will be introducing Stay & Share with Foundation and Key Stage 1 when parents will be invited to stay with their child until approximately 9.10 am one morning a week to share books and other exciting activities with the children. We will also continue with Thoroughly Thrilling Thursdays for Key Stage 1 and Foundation. Key Stage 2 parents will also be invited to come into school to share curriculum successes and events with children (details to follow).

I will be writing a separate letter to parents next week detailing the successes achieved this term and the plans that we have for when we return to school. We are on a relentless charge to make our school great. Thank you for your continued support.



Darren

Christmas Party Day – Thursday, 18 December

The children have worked incredibly hard and are thoroughly deserving of a party day. We would very much like your child to opt to have a Christmas dinner on this day as it will add to the party feel! Just a reminder that the Christmas meal needs to be ordered by 9.00 am tomorrow. During the day the children will be doing festive crafts and party games. They will be visited by Father Christmas and in the afternoon they will be entertained by a magician. We look forward to an exciting day. Children will be expected to attend in school uniform on this day.

Christmas Productions – Please note the following dates and times:

Reception Nativity will take place on 11 December 2014 at 9.45 am (Mrs Petrie's Class) and 1.45 pm (Miss Hall's Class)

Key Stage 1 performances will take place on Wednesday, 10 December at 1.30 pm and 6.00 pm.

Years 3&4 Pantomime will take place on 16 & 17 December at 1.45 pm. Whilst all children in Years 3&4 will be taking part in these performances, Mrs Green's class will lead on 16 December and Miss Perry's class will lead on 17 December.

No event will be ticketed. Please note that doors will not open until 15 minutes before the start of each performance from the main reception. Parents are politely requested to leave small children at home during the productions.



Year 4 enjoy a day at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden

In preparation for their own production, Year 4 enjoyed a day at the Royal Opera House last week where they saw Alice's Adventures in Wonderland. The children were captivated by the entire production and were great ambassadors for the school. We look forward to seeing the Year group perform the school pantomime this year.

Attendance

School attendance target for 2014/15: 96%

School attendance to date: 95.5%

Number of days lost to unauthorised leave to date: 286.5

Number of children recorded late to date: 664
