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FURZE NEWS

Newsletter 4 – 7th November 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome Back!

I hope you all enjoyed a happy and safe half term holiday.

NB: School will be closed to all pupils on Friday 25th November 2016 due to our Autumn INSET Day.



INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PHOTOS

I hope you are pleased with your child's proof photograph. All orders and monies should be returned to your child's teacher **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER**. If you wish to purchase photographs please ensure that you complete your order form correctly (with your selection of prints required, your child's name, type of payment and amount enclosed) and return it to the class teacher in the supplied plastic envelope. All envelopes should contain your order, the **EXACT** money **AS NO CHANGE WILL BE GIVEN** and **MUST** be sealed. Please ensure you keep a note of the photograph code for your records. If you do not wish to order any photos you may keep the proof – they do not have to be returned.

NB: Any envelopes received after 11TH NOVEMBER will NOT be included in the school order (the envelopes will be returned to you and if you wish to proceed with an order you must deal directly with the photographers).

SCHOOL UNIFORM

School uniform is compulsory for all pupils and is available to purchase from the school office – please see the school website or your prospectus for items/prices. **Uniform is on sale from the school office from 8.30am-11.30am and 1.30pm-4pm every day.**

WITHDRAWING CHILDREN FROM RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ACTIVITIES/LESSONS/ASSEMBLIES

If you do not wish your child to participate in any of the forthcoming Christmas festivities or other religious activities/lessons/assemblies due to your own religious observations an appointment needs to be made with the class teacher to discuss this if you have not already done so. An appointment request form is available from the school office for parents to complete.



SCHOOL NURSE DROP-IN SERVICE

Our school nurse provides a regular drop-in service at Furze in the parent's room next to the school office. The next date is Tuesday 29th November from 8.30am to 9.00am. If you have any health concerns or questions relating to your child's well-being please do drop-in.

SHOEBOX ITEMS

If you would still like to donate a suitable item or two for our school shoebox appeal please send the item/s in with your child to give to the class teacher no later than **Friday 11th November**. This updated return by date has been necessary in order that our shoeboxes can be finalised and sent in good time to the collection points.

CHRISTMAS CARD ORDERS

If you would like to place an order for Christmas cards you can do so until **Wednesday 9th November**.

CHILDREN IN NEED 2016 - Non-uniform day

We are holding a fundraising day on Friday 18th November for Children in Need. The children may wear their own clothes to school on the day and we request that they bring a donation of however much you feel is appropriate to be given to the class teacher (all donations gratefully received). **NB:** In the interest of safety please ensure your child wears sensible shoes and brings their coat to school.



ADMISSION TO FURZE RECEPTION 2017

If your child's birthday falls between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2013 (Nursery aged children) then you need to be aware that on-line applications for Reception 2017 are available from **1st November 2016 to 15th January 2017**:

You must APPLY ON-LINE at
www.lbbd.gov.uk/admissions

Yours sincerely,
 MRS BARRETT,
 Head of School.

FURZE INFANTS SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME 2016/2017

	LAST DAY OF TERM	FIRST DAY OF TERM
AUTUMN INSET DAY	School closed to all pupils Friday 25th November 2016	
CHRISTMAS 2016	Friday 16 th December (1.15pm closure)	Wednesday 4 th January 2017
SPRING HALF TERM 2017	Friday 10 th February	Monday 20 th February
EASTER 2017	Friday 7 th April (1.15pm closure)	Monday 24 th April
MAY DAY 2017	School closed to all pupils Monday 1st May 2017	
SUMMER HALF TERM 2017	Friday 26 th May	Tuesday 6 th June
SUMMER 2017	Thursday 20 th July (1.15pm closure)	

School opens at 8.45am and closes at 2.45pm (AM Nursery 8.30am to 11.30am/PM Nursery 12.30pm to 3.30pm) unless otherwise notified. In addition Nursery closed to am and pm pupils on Friday 16th December 2016, Friday 7th April 2017 and Thursday 20th July 2017.
 Any alterations or extra days will be notified separately.



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