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**Head of School: Mrs J Barrett**

# FURZE NEWS

**Newsletter 6 – 21<sup>st</sup> November 2016**

Dear Parents/Carers,

**REMINDER: School will be closed to all pupils on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016 due to our Autumn INSET Day.**

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLOSURE**



School closes for the Christmas Holiday on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 1.15pm. (NB School is closing at 1.15pm after lunch NOT 2.45pm). School reopens on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at the usual times. Nursery will be closed for both AM and PM pupils on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

**CHILDREN IN NEED 2016 - Non-uniform day**

We are pleased to report that a fantastic £589.15 was raised for Children in Need. Well done everyone!



**ADMISSION TO FURZE RECEPTION 2017**

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

**You must APPLY ON-LINE at [www.lbbd.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.lbbd.gov.uk/admissions)**

**RECEPTION HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE FORMS**

The school nursing team will be at Furze for 1 day per week over the next few weeks until Christmas seeing those reception children whose parents have completed and returned the NELFT NHS health questionnaire form for their child.

**COATS, HATS, SCARVES AND GLOVES** – The weather is very changeable and we request that all parents ensure their

child has the above items in school at all times (please ensure all belongings have your child's name clearly marked).

**PE LESSONS – JEWELLERY/EARRINGS**

Please ensure that ALL jewellery including earrings are removed on PE days before your child comes to school. If your child is wearing jewellery they will be unable to take part in the lessons. The removal of jewellery on PE days is a very important health and safety issue and we would be grateful if all parents/carers could comply with this rule. Thank you.

**THE FURZE-WARREN WEBSITE**

Please visit our Hard Federation website which contains lots of useful information for visitors to the site. Furze web address is <http://furzeinfants.schooljotter2.com>

**YEAR 2 VISIT TO WARREN JUNIORS 7/12/16**

We would like to thank Mr Wilder for inviting our Year 2 children to watch a "Dick Whittington" pantomime with Warren Junior children on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016 (am session). All the children and staff will have a thoroughly enjoyable morning at the Junior School.



**CHRISTMAS DINNER**

Christmas dinner will be served on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December to all full time children who would like a dinner. Universal infant free school meals (UIFSM) means that there is NO CHARGE please DO NOT make any payments on Parentpay.



**CHRISTMAS CARDS**

The school's Christmas post boxes will open on 1<sup>st</sup> December. If your child wishes to post cards to friends, please ensure that the child's name and class are clearly marked on the envelope, if they are not we may be unable to deliver them. Your child should use the post box for deliveries to other classes but cards for children in their own class should be given to their class teacher.

Yours sincerely,  
**MRS BARRETT,**  
 Head of School.

***FURZE INFANTS' SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME 2016/2017***

	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM</b>	<b>FIRST DAY OF TERM</b>
AUTUMN INSET DAY	School closed to all pupils Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	
CHRISTMAS 2016	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December (1.15pm closure)	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2017
SPRING HALF TERM 2017	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February
EASTER 2017	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April (1.15pm closure)	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April
MAY DAY 2017	School closed to all pupils Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2017	
SUMMER HALF TERM 2017	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June
SUMMER 2017	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017 and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2017. Any alterations or extra days will be notified separately.