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# FURZE NEWS

Newsletter 8 – 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,



Last newsletter of 2017!

## **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLOSURE**

*School closes for the Christmas Holiday on  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 1.15pm.*

***(NB School is closing at 1.15pm after lunch  
NOT 2.45pm).***

*School reopens on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January  
2018 at the usual times.*

**Nursery will be closed for both AM and PM  
pupils on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December.**

## **ADMISSION TO FURZE RECEPTION 2018**

If your child's birthday falls between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014 (Nursery aged children) then you need to be aware that on-line applications for Reception 2018 are only available until **15<sup>th</sup> January 2018**:

*You must APPLY ON-LINE at*

[www.lbbd.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.lbbd.gov.uk/admissions)

## **CHRISTMAS CARDS**

The school's Christmas post boxes are open until tomorrow. 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 their own class should be given to their class teacher.

## **YEAR 1 CAROL CONCERTS**



Well done to all Year 1 classes for such lovely carol concerts and thank you to all the parents/carers who came to watch the children. The children all performed beautifully and were a credit to the school.

## **PREMIER SPORT BEFORE SCHOOL CLUBS**

You can now book onto the Premier Sport before school gymnastics club and dodgeball club at Furze that will be running during the Spring Term. Gymnastics club is on Tuesday mornings and dodgeball club is on Wednesday mornings. These clubs are for children in Year 1 or Year 2 only. Book online at [www.premier-education.com](http://www.premier-education.com) or

call 01953 499040 for more information. Spaces are limited so book early to avoid missing out!

## **SCHOOL STATUS**

All parent/carers should check the school website in the first instance for any school closures (emergency eg snow or otherwise eg INSET days) as this is where the most up to date information is always found and the school office may also be closed so telephoning the school may not be an option.

<http://furzeinfants.schooljotter2.com>

The Barking & Dagenham School Status also allows parents to check if their child's school in the Borough is open. School status page:

<https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/residents/schools-and-learning/school-status/>

## **REMAINING DATES THIS WEEK**

- Christmas Parties for remaining Reception classes – **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December pm session**  
**Reception Parents** - Please do not send any food or drink (your donations on entry have covered the cost of party food/drinks).
- Christmas Parties for Nursery – **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** (Santa will be visiting) - see separate information from Nursery for full party details.
- Nursery closed – **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**
- **Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day** (children to wear their Christmas jumper over their uniform) – **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**
- Santa visiting on the last day for full time pupils – **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.15PM**

**As the holiday is almost upon us I know you will join me in thanking all the school staff for their hard work and commitment. It has been a very busy term for the school and we all look forward to relaxing and enjoying the Christmas break with our families and friends. All the staff wish you a Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year and we look forward to seeing you and hearing from the children about their holiday and what Father Christmas left in their stockings!**

**Merry Xmas**

Yours sincerely,  
MRS BARRETT  
Head of School.



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Newsletter 1 – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2011

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## *FURZE INFANTS' SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME 2017/2018*

CHRISTMAS 2017

SPRING HALF TERM 2018

EASTER 2018

MAY DAY 2018

SUMMER HALF TERM 2018

SUMMER 2018

### **LAST DAY OF TERM**

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December (1.15pm closure)

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March (1.15pm closure)

**School closed to all pupils Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July (1.15pm closure)

### **FIRST DAY OF TERM**

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June

**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 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017, Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018.**

Any alterations or extra days will be notified separately.