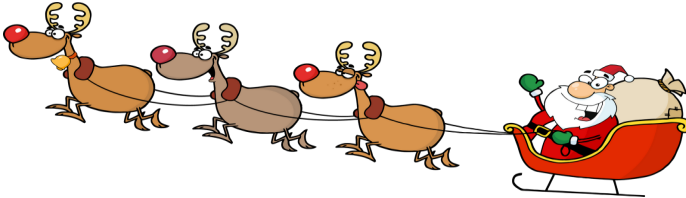


# FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

## 5 more sleeps.....



and it's here.....

It has certainly been a packed term and whilst the festive activities are lovely, there isn't a member of school staff who isn't ready for a well earned break!

Thank you to everyone who visited our Christmas performances.

The numbers of children in school were hugely depleted due to the various viruses and illnesses which seem to be plaguing our last weeks of this term.

Thank you to everyone

for their £1 door fees—we really do appreciate all of you who made these contributions to support us and the children. These entry fees go towards the cost of providing all of you with a professionally printed photograph of your child(ren) in their costume and the licenses to perform the shows to audiences.

We must make a special mention and 'thank you' to all of the children in school. They have soldiered on despite feeling grotty, sang with sore throats and no voices, stepped into roles to cover ill peers at the last minute and

performed for you all when really feeling not 100% at all—in short, they have all been **FABULOUS!**

Thank you also to the singers who came to Concorde House last week and sang for the residents with Mrs. Brett, Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Gray—it was a lovely evening. The resident (along with Fathers Phil and Darren) were very appreciative and thoroughly enjoyed the singing especially Lily's beautiful solo. Well done to you all.

*Merry Christmas*

There leaves little more to say other than we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New year and look forward to seeing everyone in 2020.

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**WEBSITE UPDATE:**  
All school policies have been updated and are now on the school website.  
Policies include: homework, maths and English.  
Please take the time to familiarise yourself with these policies.

## PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

We cannot end this year without expressing a heart-felt 'THANK YOU' to our very dedicated Parents & Friends Association.

This very small band of ladies give their time and energy constantly to ensure that all of the children within our school have lovely experiences throughout their time here.

They have paid for a pantomime with all of their raised funds, provided free mulled wine, mince pies and juice on Christmas Extravaganza night. They have served hot drinks and mince pies at performances, along with providing prizes and selling raffle tickets and provided a Christmas film night. They have ensured each child in school received a small gift from Santa this week. All of this is only one month of activities; this small handful of lovely ladies work tirelessly all year for us, for which we are sincerely grateful. Thank you to you all.



Important Dates:

20.12.19—School breaks for Christmas at 3pm

06.01.20—TEACHER TRAINING DAY

07.01.20—School resumes for the Children

10.01.20—First Family Assembly of 2020—9am

14.02.20—School Breaks for half-term

24.02.20—School resumes for the Children

02.04.20—School Breaks for Easter

20.04.20—School resumes for the children

SPRING TERM CLUBS

Letters for place allocations for Spring Term Clubs have gone out this week.

If you wish for your child to participate and you have not yet requested a place or paid, please email Mrs. Reed.

Monday—Multi-sports Club (Years 1 & 2 only)

Tuesday—Zumba Kids (Year 1 to Year 4)

Wednesday—Gymnastics (Year 3 & 4 only)

Thursday—NUFC Family Football Club (Rec. to Y4)

Friday—Gymnastics (Year 1 & 2 only)

Governor News:

Governors met for their termly full governing body meeting and discussed policies along with ratifying Indicative budget.

Teachers' Pay Policy was discussed and agreed also.

Uniform policy was discussed at the request of a parent within school.

House Points

Last week's winner: Eagle House

This week's winner: Penguin House

Attendance

This term class winner for the best attendance is..... YEAR 3 You will get a party in January!

APPLICATIONS FOR 2020

The portal for Reception 2020 places CLOSES on 15th January 2020—please do not forget to apply if your child is currently in nursery.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY



THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS WORN THEIR CHRISTMAS JUMPERS TODAY.

We raised at total of £126.80

Save the Children Fund. We will ensure this gets to them this coming week.

Earring Policy

Governors have amended the uniform policy to reflect that NO EARRINGS of any kind may be worn (no plastic or acrylic earrings) only soft acrylic retainers are permitted in school from 01.01.20.



Singing Concert 19.12.19

A HUGE well done to all of the singers and keyboard players who took part in the singing concert last night at the high school. It was a fabulous night and lovely to see past pupils participating too—Many thanks to Mrs. Gray for her hard work too!

INFORMATION WARNING

We have received an email from Whytrig Middle School advising that on Wednesday evening, just after 3:30pm, two of their children were concerned that they may have been followed by a slow moving black car. The police have been informed and are following it up.