



CUSGARNE SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Date: 6 December 2018



Diary Dates

9 December
Frogpool Chapel
Carol Service 3pm

10 December
KS1 Christmas
Performance 1.30pm

11 December
KS1 Christmas
Performance
5.30pm
*(pupils back to school
at 5pm please)*

12 December
Christmas Dinner
Day—wear a
Christmas jumper!

14 December
Friends Christmas Fair
2pm in Hall

17 December
Carols around the
Tree
1.30pm in the Hall

18 December
Class Party Afternoon
(note change of day)

20 December
Last day of term
Close at 1pm

7 January
Inset Day

8 January
Spring Term starts for
pupils

Dear Parents

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! School has been decorated ready for our festivities and the Breakfast Club children had fun decorating the tree in the Hall.

This week it is full steam ahead rehearsing for the KS1 Christmas play and we are looking forward to welcoming you on Monday and Tuesday at our two performances. Monday's show will start at 1.30pm and we will open the doors at 1.20pm for you to take your seats. Please do not arrive too early because the gates will be locked! It would be helpful if parents could leave buggies outside in the playground since we do not have room in Reception to park them. Tuesday's evening show will start at 5.30pm so please could the children taking part be back at school by 5pm to get ready.

Reverend Liz came into school on Wednesday for an assembly and she is looking forward to seeing us on Sunday as we join Frogpool Chapel for their Carol Service. The service starts at 3pm so please get to the Chapel by 2.50pm where the teachers will meet the children. (School uniform is required please.)

It is a lovely service and the congregation really enjoy seeing the children and hearing them perform so do come along if you are able.

Next Wednesday, 12 December, will be our Christmas Dinner Day and the orders have now been placed. We would like the children to come into school in their uniform but also wearing a Christmas jumper.

For those of you who have already started to write your Christmas cards, the Cusgarne School post box is in Reception ready for your deliveries! The post children from Class 3 will sort and distribute the cards in the run up to the end of term.

Whatever you are doing this weekend, I hope you have a lovely time and hope to see you on Sunday.

Tim Barnard, Head of School

Pupils of the Week			
Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	
Rosie	Tommy	Sunny	
Lottie	Ava	Eliza	
		Archie P	
Hepworth	Trevithick	Vickery	
446	459	455	



Friends of Cusgarne News

It's been another busy week behind the scenes. The personalised Christmas card and gift orders arrived back in school, were sorted (thank you Miss Palmer and her helpers), and all given out. If you've not received yours, please let me know asap so that we can put this right. We are pleased to say that taking part in this helped raise £200.87 for school funds—thank you!

Another fantastic way of earning free donations is through the **Giving Machine**, and we are delighted to say your online shopping has earned **£72.57** for November. Another great result, so again, thank you! For anyone still with Christmas shopping to do, don't forget to sign up (or log-in if you've already signed up) to shop with your everyday retailers and earn more for the school without it costing you an additional penny.

BOOK CLUB—Don't forget we have the Christmas book club running with Scholastic until midnight on Friday (7th). If you need any assistance with ordering, come and ask us in the playground—we'd be more than happy to help.

XMAS FAIR—It's just over a week to go, and we are very excited! The hampers are packaged ready to raffle, so keep an eye out for Sian selling tickets after school. As a taster, we have:

- * Santa
- * Gift Grotto
- * Crafts and Games
- * Teas, coffees, mince pies and mulled wine
- * Cake stall
- * Stalls selling books, jewellery, preserves, cards and crafts, homemade upholstery, Holidays to Lapland, the latest hospital choir CD - and more!
- * It's not too late to join us with a stall, please contact Tammy on 07901 500093 to arrange, we'd love to have you. We hope you'll join us for festivities and grab some last minute gifts in the process.

XMAS FAIR DONATION PLEA—Please don't forget, if you can, we'd really love donations of:

- ◆ Gift Grotto—chocolates, treats, smellies or small gifts into Reception by the 14th Dec
- ◆ Cake Stall—we'd love your baked goods please so please bring to Reception on the 14th Dec
- ◆ Tombola Stall—glass jar time! If you have a glass jar (or something similar) we'd love it if you could fill with small prizes (for example, crayons, pencils, small toys, sweets etc). Please pop them into school by 14th Dec.

Finally at this week's meeting, Andrea announced that she'd made the difficult decision to step down as Chair from January. She has been a great asset to everyone and will continue to provide support in anyway she can, which is great. At our next meeting, scheduled for the 15th January, we will be looking for nominations to elect as new Chair. If you have any suggestions, or are interested in the role please come along.

That's it for this week—just a reminder of the **UPCOMING DATES**:

- 7 Dec—Scholastic book club ends
- 14 Dec—Christmas Fair
- 17 Dec—Refreshments at Carols around the Tree
- 15 Jan—Friend's meeting

Watch this
space ...

The teachers will be setting a Christmas book challenge which carries a 20 read reward on the Reading Band scheme. Details to follow so keep checking the bookbags

Lip Balm

At this time of year, many of us suffer from dry or cracked lips. If your child needs to bring lip balm into school, please make sure that you fill out a small lip balm authorisation form and hand the lip balm to a member of staff. We do not allow the children to hold onto their lip balm since they tend to get 'shared' which is not acceptable. The children can simply ask their teacher for their lip balm when they need to apply it.

Save your Christmas Card Stamps!

Why? Because you can help UK Air Ambulance Services by recycling your Used Postage Stamps.

The UK's Air Ambulance Services are charities which receive no Government funding and rely entirely on charitable donations to continue flying and responding to life threatening medical emergencies. They are now volunteering their time to help raise funds through the recycling of postage stamps. All funds raised will be donated to the Association of Air Ambulances to be distributed equally to all UK Air Ambulance Services. Whether they're British or overseas, new or used, send them to us and we'll turn them into funds to keep the UK Air Ambulance Services responding to life threatening medical emergencies.

All you need to do is cut or carefully tear the stamped corner from any envelope or packet that you receive in the post and start a collection. Once you have a large bundle, bag them up and send them to us at the below address:

Air Ambulance Appeal
59 Mitre Copse
Bishopstoke
Near Eastleigh
Hampshire
SO50 8QE

Unwanted Christmas Visitors!

Sadly we have had reports of head lice at school. PLEASE check your child and treat as necessary. Don't forget to wash pillowcases and **hats**; and make sure your child knows not to share their hat with others. Head lice can quickly spread so we are asking you all to be vigilant.

Thank you!



DIARY OF ACTIVITIES w/c 10th December 2018 Breakfast Club runs daily on school days			
	ACTIVITY	TEACHER	ADDITIONAL INFO
MONDAY	Guitars	Mr Collington	Payment per term
	Class 3 Homework Club	Mrs Turner	12.30pm-12.55pm
TUESDAY	Wake and Shake	Mrs Ireson/Y6's	8.30am—8.45am
	Library Club	Year 6 librarians	12.30—12.50pm
WEDNESDAY	Violins	Miss Neale	Payment per term
	Woodwind	Miss Sampson	Payment per term
	Drums	Mr Robinson	Payment per term
THURSDAY	Wake and Shake	Mrs Ireson/Y5's	8.30am—8.45am
	Recorders	Ms Hawken	
	Library Club	Year 6 librarians	12.30—12.50pm

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club runs daily on school days from 8am.

Please book your child's place in advance.

Current prices as follows:

With breakfast: First child £2 per morning; siblings £1 per morning
Without breakfast: First child £1 per morning; siblings 50p per morning

If you would like a copy of the weekly newsletter emailed to you, or know of anyone who would like a copy, please contact reception who can arrange this.

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