



Airwaves 30th November 2018

No. 12

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your support during our Ofsted inspection this week. Your good wishes and completed parent view questionnaires buoyed us through a rigorous full day of inspection. My thanks also go to all the staff who worked their socks off to show our school at its very best and, of course, to the children who were their usual confident, honest, articulate selves. As those of you who have been with us through previous inspections will know, the inspection findings remain confidential until the report is published - which will hopefully be before Christmas.

Mr Tim Walker, the new teacher taking over Owls class, will be in school on Tuesday 4th December. He will be around at the end of the day to meet with parents.

Football Tournament

On Wednesday Duxford football team drove all the way to Bottisham Village College to play some matches in a tournament. We got to the semi-finals and we came 5th place out of 12 schools. We all had fun. We are very grateful that Miss Dyson and Mrs Ranasinghe took us there. We had three scorers. They were Finley, Alex and Euan. Our team members were George, Jack, Angus, Seth, Finley and Euan.

By Angus, Year 6

Star Readers Tea Party

Yesterday was the Star Readers Tea Party. A child from each class joined their parents in the library to enjoy tea, cake and books. It was great to celebrate our successes in reading and I really enjoyed my afternoon reading with my mum and the yummy cakes!

By Emily, Year 6

❄️ Christmas Fair - tonight! 4.00-6.00 pm ❄️

The Christmas Fair is today! Don't miss your chance to pick up early Christmas gifts, including ones that the children have made in class, and of course to visit Santa's Grotto. Featuring Duxford School choir, a visit from Santa, wonderful refreshments and a guaranteed festive atmosphere.

Please see the note below from FODs regarding the Christmas Fair and food donation box.

Choir and Orchestra at Advent Fair

Our fantastic choir led by Mr Lloyd and orchestra led by Miss Pearson will be opening the Duxford Advent Fair on Saturday 8th December at St John's Church. Please do pop along and support them!

Nativity performances - Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th December

Tickets are coming home soon for this year's Nativity play, *Lights, Camel, Action*. All performances are entry by ticket only. There are a total of **4 free tickets per family** and you can choose which performance you would prefer. Tickets have been allocated on a first come first served basis. Please do not bring children under secondary school age to the evening performance - younger siblings are welcome at the morning performance. All Key Stage 2 children will have seen the Nativity in school, as will Preschool children, and the DX Club are opening specially (and for free) for anyone that needs childcare for their school-aged children. Please note - there should be no children sitting on laps and everyone should be seated, not standing at the back. This is because of fire regulations.

If you or you relatives require special seating arrangements for either performance, please could you let the school know in advance so that we can organise this. Parking will be available on the Key Stage 2 playground for the performances.

Christmas cards

There will be a special post box in the foyer from Monday 3rd December where children can post cards to each other. The mail will be distributed each day by Year 6. The last posting date will be Friday 14th December. Please encourage the children to put the class/year group and surname of the recipient as well as the name on the envelope - we have lots of children with the same first names!

Inhalers in school

Please can we remind you that if your child has asthma, they should have a completed Asthma Plan (which can be obtained from the school office) and an inhaler in school at all times. This is particularly important now that the weather is getting colder. Thank you.

Parking

We have once again had some incidences of parking across our neighbour's drive this week. We have been informed by our neighbour that she is taking registration numbers and reporting any incidents to the police. Please park considerately.

Art Club

There are a few spaces in Art Club after Christmas on a Tuesday. The topic will be ceramics. If your child would like a place please contact Jo at duxfordartclub@gmail.com

Celebration Assembly

There will be no celebration assembly on 17th December - it will be on Tuesday 18th instead.

Yours sincerely
Suzanne Blackburne-Maze
Headteacher

Lunches for week beginning 3 December 2018 – note revised menu

	Red Option	Green Option (usually Vegetarian)	Blue Option (Light bite)
Monday	Breaded Salmon	Jacket potato with cheese	Egg and cress roll with salad
Tuesday	Cottage pie	Cheese and potato pie	Ham wrap with salad
Wednesday	Roast Chicken	Quorn fillet	Chicken and mayo roll with salad
Thursday	BBQ chicken wrap	Roasted vegetable wrap	Cheese wrap with salad
Friday	Battered fish	Crispy vegetable cakes	Tuna melt panini with salad

Message from FODS – Christmas Fair

We are all very much looking forward to the Christmas fair tomorrow, doors open at 4.00 for lots of festive fun. We will have santa (don't forget to book your visit when you arrive), Eldridge's gift for parent stall, the ever popular class stalls, beautiful crafts created by the children in craft club, festive games, delicious food and drink, fabulous face painting, the Christmas raffle (star prize a beautiful M&S hamper donated by the genome wellcome trust) and of course our fantastic choir will be opening the evening. This year as it is the time for giving we will also have a food bank donation box for the Cambridge children's social services food bank who are incredibly low on many items as we head into the festive season. Many of the families they help depend on school lunches for the children's main meal and with the holidays coming up aim to ensure the children have enough to eat over Christmas. Please see the attached list for ideas of what to donate all donations will be gratefully received.

Many thanks

The FODS committee

Advent Market

The annual Duxford Advent Market is being held on 8th of December in the redundant church of St. Johns, just down the St. John's Street from the school. The event will be opened at 4 pm with music from the school choir and orchestra so do come along and give the children lots of support. The market is free to enter and has lots of local craft stalls selling all sorts of inexpensive items for Christmas. As usual there is a good mix of stalls so please come along to browse or buy. Santa arrives at 4.45 and will be available to take children's Christmas wish lists, there's a free story teller to entertain them if they have to wait or parents would like to browse the market child-free.

Outside there is a hog roast and seasonal drinks for sale so come along even if shopping isn't your thing!

The Duxford Advent Market raises modest amounts of money through the event which supports educational and leisure activities in Duxford and neighbouring villages.

We look forward to welcoming you to this festive fun

The Trustees of The Duxford Advent Trust

Diary Dates

Friday 30 November	Christmas Fair, 4.00-6.00 pm
Wednesday 5 December, 9.30am	Reception/KS1 nativity performance
Thursday 6 December, 6.00pm	Reception/KS1 nativity performance
Thursday 13 December, 2.50 – 3.00pm	Buttercups Class – Snuggle with a book
Friday 14 December	KS1 Christmas Party
Tuesday 18 December	Celebration Assembly
Tuesday 18 December	Christmas dinner – remember to wear your Christmas jumper
Wednesday 19 December, 2.00pm	Carols in the Hall
Wednesday 19 December	Autumn term closes
Thursday 3 and Friday 4 January	Professional days – school closed to pupils
Monday 7 January	Spring term starts
Friday 8 February	School disco
Monday 18 to Friday 24 February	Half-term
Friday 5 April	Spring term closes
Tuesday 23 April	Training Day
Wednesday 24 th April	Summer term starts
Monday 6 th May	May Day
Monday 27 to Friday 31 May	Half-term
Monday 6 June	Training Day
Wednesday 24 July	Summer term closes