



December Newsletter

Friday 1st December 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

At the start of December, we are looking forward to all of the exciting things happening in school in the run up to Christmas. The children are rehearsing for their productions and concerts, making the school look festive, making cards and much more. Next week a Christmas newsletter will be coming out with details of everything that is happening during the last few weeks of this term, please look out for it in your child's bag.

Thank you to the house captains, with help from Mrs Sumner and Ms. McTiernan, for organising our Children in Need 'Spotacular'. They were pleased to have raised £607.90. Thank you to everyone who joined in and donated.

Today was the final of our first Inter-House General Knowledge Quiz. The children organised their own teams and took part in the knock out rounds last week. The final was between eight teams, two from each house. It was great to see children of all ages getting involved in this event. As the winner was decided after this newsletter went to print, the victorious team will be shared with you in our next newsletter.

Children and staff across the school have been involved in our Christmas display competition. Each class teacher chose a piece of Christmas Literature – a book, story or poem – for their class display. The displays were all completed today so the school is starting to look very festive. On Monday, the judging will take place and prizes will be awarded to the best display on the downstairs and the upstairs corridors. Having looked at the lovely displays, the judges are going to have a tough decision to make. Look out for photos on our twitter feed and on the school website.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs S. Pecheur
Head Teacher

Attendance News

For the week 13th – 17th November the following classes achieved above our 97% target: 2C, 2T, 2W, 3A, 3H, 4K, 4F, 5JB, 6R and 6S. The best class that week was 6R with an excellent 100%. Our overall school attendance was 96% which is below our 97% target. The classes with the fewest number of lates were RH and 4SF both with no lates across the week – well done!

For the week 20th – 24th November the following classes achieved above our 97% target: 1J, 2T, 3A, 4K, 4F, 5B, 6M, 6R and 6S. The best classes that week were 4K and 6R both with 99.3%. Our overall school attendance was 94.7% which is below our 97% target. The classes with the fewest number of lates were RD and RH with no lates across the week – well done!

Remember to check out our website www.wheelerslane-pri.bham.sch.uk



Dates for your Diary

<u>December</u>	<u>January 2018</u>
Thursday 7 th Theatre trip - 101 Dalmatians Years 2 & 5	Monday 8 th Teacher Training Day
Thursday 7 th after school Boys' 5-a-side football South Birmingham Final at Kings Heath Secondary	Tuesday 9 th Term begins for children
Friday 8 th Theatre trip - 101 Dalmatians Years 1 & 4	Wednesday 10 th African drumming workshops Year 4
Friday 8 th – Wednesday 13 th bring in homemade Christmas decorations for Wheelies competition	Wednesday 10 th at 2.30pm Year 4 parents and carers African drumming performance
Monday 11 th at 8.30am and 2.30pm Winter Workshop for Nursery parents	Friday 12 th Year 6 trip to The Sea Life Centre
Monday 11 th Theatre trip 101 Dalmatians Years 3 & 6	Wednesday 24 th RR to Pizza Express
Monday 11 th at 2pm Key Stage 1 Christmas Play	Friday 26 th at 9am 3H Class Assembly
Tuesday 12 th at 2pm Key Stage 1 Christmas Play	Monday 29 th Reception Writing workshop
Wednesday 13 th at 9am Key Stage 1 Christmas Play	Tuesday 30 th Reception Writing workshop
Wednesday 13 th at 2pm Reception Nativity at school	Wednesday 31 st Reception Writing workshop
Thursday 14 th at 2pm Reception Nativity at All Saints' Church	<u>February 2018</u>
Friday 15 th Wheelies Christmas Event	Friday 2 nd NSPCC Number Day
Monday 18 th at 2pm Key Stage 2 Concert	Friday 2 nd at 9am 3B Class Assembly
Tuesday 19 th at 9am Key Stage 2 Concert	Monday 5 th – Friday 9 th Attendance Week
Tuesday 19 th Christmas Dinner	Wednesday 7 th RH to Pizza Express
Tuesday 19 th at 2.30pm Early Years Christmas Craft Fair	Wednesday 7 th 3B and 3H River Cole trip
Wednesday 20 th at 9am Key Stage 2 Concert	Friday 9 th at 9am 3A Class Assembly
Thursday 21 st Christmas Parties	Friday 9 th 3A River Cole trip
Thursday 21 st Attendance Reward trip for winning class	Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th Aspirations Week
Thursday 21 st theatre group for Nursery and Reception	Friday 16 th Enabling Enterprise Challenge Day
Friday 22 nd a.m. Class Behaviour Rewards	Friday 16 th Children finish for half term
Friday 22 nd 9am – 10am Optional Stay and Play session for Nursery children	Monday 26 th Parent and Carer Consultation Day
Friday 22 nd at 12pm Break up for Christmas holidays	Tuesday 27 th Children return to school
	Tuesday 27 th Year 3 Swimming begins for 2 weeks

Wheelies Raffle

For the Wheelies raffle children are asked to bring in items for their hampers as follows:

Year 1 – Red and Gold

Year 2 – White and Silver

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 – Chocolate

Raffle tickets will be on sale at all of the Christmas productions and the winners will be drawn at the final Key Stage 2 concert on Wednesday 20th December.

Iceland Food Hampers

Nursery and Reception children have been asked to bring in tins and packets for food hampers. This is part of the Iceland food collection that we have supported for the last 2 years at Christmas. If children in other year groups wish to bring in something as well, they are very welcome to. Please bring donations by Wednesday 13th December.

Football Report

Congratulations to the girls' football team who finished second overall in the South Birmingham indoor finals. The girls won four of their six matches throughout the competition. Our footballers are now looking forward to the league matches that start after Christmas.

The Girls' 5-a-side squad are: Allannah Gardiner, Jessica Tucker, Safiah Mustaq (captain), Sumairaa Nasir, Katie Rawlings and Audrey Cooper.

Good luck to the boys' football team who are competing for the South Birmingham indoor title next week.



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