

Merry Christmas!

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## KSI Christmas Performances

Congratulations to the Yr I and Yr 2 pupils for their splendid Christmas performances of A Christmas Recipe. I hope that everyone who came along to watch the children enjoyed the play as much as I did.

## DVD of the Christmas Performances

Thank you to all the FS/KSI who have placed their DVD orders. We hope to have the DVDs back in school early next week.

Parents who have purchased a DVD are reminded of our Safeguarding Policy which requires that the DVD is not copied or passed onto third parties.

### Christmas Lunch

Our school Christmas Lunch will be taking place on Friday 16 December.

Unfortunately, it is no longer possible to request this meal as the orders needed to be placed by Friday 2 December.

Children not participating in this special meal will still be able to join in the Christmas festivities.

Parents are advised that there will be a menu swap with our school meals next week:

Thursday 15 December will be 'Fishy Friday' (fish fingers and chips)

Friday 16 December will be our Christmas Lunch.

## Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday 16 December we will be supporting the Save the Children Christmas Jumper Campaign.

Children participating will be asked to pay £1.00 to wear their Christmas jumper instead of their usual school sweatshirt/jumper or cardigan.

The rest of their school uniform should remain the same as every other day.

#### KS2 Carol Service

Our KS2 children will be hosting a Carol Service for their parents at St Andrew's Church on Monday 19 December.

We will be aiming to leave school as soon as possible after afternoon registration at 1:15pm. If you can walk with us to and from the church we would welcome your help.

## Yr 6 English Challenge

Following their successful win at the Ely round of this Local Authority competition our intrepid team of Yr 6 pupils went along to Ely Cathedral on Monday 5 December to take part in the competition's final.

Unfortunately, they weren't placed but they all worked well both individually and as a team across the different rounds of questions.

Congratulations to: William Bradley Megan Davis Alfie McCullough Tilda Farrant

### Music Exam Success

Congratulations to the following pupils who have all recently undertaken music exams:

Trumpet — Grade 1 William Bradley — passed with distinction

Recorder — Grade 5 Megan Davis — passed with merit William Bradley — passed

Recorder — Grade 3 Hope Lewis — passed

Recorder — Grade I Olivia Nwaha-Walmsley — passed with distinction Elizabeth Chudleigh — passed with merit Amelie Newling — passed with merit Thomas Redman — passed with merit Poppy Slater — passed with merit Tim Taylor — passed

Piano — Grade I Daisy Simpson — passed with merit

Well done to all the pupils and their teachers Mrs Bradley and Mrs Haynes.

### Christmas at St Andrews Church

Coming out with this Newsletter are details of the church services taking place at St Andrew's Church over the festive period.

### Parent Consultations

Our next Parent Consultations will be held on the following dates during the Spring Term:

Thursday 2 February: 3:40 - 5:30pm Thursday 9 March: 5:30 - 7:20pm

Appointments can be made by contacting the school office.

#### Illnesses at school

We still have a number of cases of chicken pox. The Medical Guidance we have been given regarding absence is that children can return to school once the spots have 'crusted over'. If you have any concerns, please speak to a pharmacist or your GP.

We also have a number of children suffering with colds and/or a sickness bug.

Coughs and Colds are best managed through good hand hygiene — we've spent time talking to the children about the importance of this and we've practised washing our hands to the length of God Save the Queen and Happy Birthday to ensure the children are not just dipping their hands into a running tap.

For sickness and diarrhoea bugs we ask that parents keep their children off school for a full 48 hrs after the child's last bout of illness. This is in line with NHS quidance.

# Primary School Admissions Process for September 2017

Parents of pre-school children who will be starting at primary school in September 2017 are advised that the application process for school places opened on Wednesday I6 November and will dose on Sunday I5 January 2017. This is a national process and the dates are agreed by all the Local Authorities.

This year there is an important change:

- parent's apply on time, and will hear on Thursday 18 April 2017, or
- parents applying late ie Monday 16 January until Monday I May 2017 and will not hear until Friday 19 May 2017.

Please note that there is no right of automatic transfer from nursery/pre-school to a primary school.

All parents are required to apply for a school place - no places are allocated automatically.

### From Dinosaurs to DNA

In 2017 Ely Cathedral are running a Science exhibition and we have been asked to take part in this exciting event. We will be getting involved by creating lots of fantastic pieces of art work based around scientific concepts.

One of our pieces of work will involve making a colour wheel mobile and this is where we would like your help...
Please can you send in clean plastic lids of all shapes, sizes and colours.

There will be a collection box outside the school office so that members of our school community can drop them off.

Thank you for your support.

#### Miss Miller

At the end of this term we will be wishing Miss Miller well as she starts her maternity leave.

Mrs Helen Chappell will be teaching the children in Carnelian Class whilst Miss Miller is on maternity leave. Mrs Chappell is an experienced teacher who has been teaching in the Wisbech area since 2002.

# Spring Term 2017

Parents are reminded that our Spring Term will begin on Thursday 5 January 2017 for all our pupils.

## School Contact Details

You can contact the school in a number of ways:

- By speaking to your child's classteacher
- 2. By telephone: 01353 778 351
- 3. By email: office@sutton.cambs.sch.uk
- 4. If you just need to check out some information use our new website:

www.sutton.cambs.sch.uk

# Dates for the Autumn Term 2016

Thursday 15 December — Yr 3/4 Christmas Party

Friday 16 December — Christmas

Lunch

Friday 16 December — Christmas

Jumper Day

Friday 16 December — FS Christmas

Party

Monday 19 December — KS2 Carol

Service at St Andrew's Church @ 1:50pm

**Monday 19 December** — KSI Christmas Party

Tuesday 20 December — End of Term

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Wednesday 4 January — Staff INSET Day — school closed to pupils

**Thursday 5 January** — School open to all pupils

Friday 13 January — Governors Health and Safety Audit with the School Council

Tuesday 17 January — Yr 6 KS2 SATs Information Evening at 6:30pm 14.12.2016