



Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the coming months we will be slowly changing some of the content and focus of our newsletters. We will continue to provide details about upcoming events but we also want to introduce new sections which relate to your child's education and well-being. The first of these new sections is E-Safety. More and more of our children have access to the internet through computers, phones and games consoles. This can provide them with some wonderful opportunities but can also carry risks as well. Each week we will highlight a different aspect that you may wish to consider and places where you can get further information. We will also start to compile these into a helpful hints guide which will start on our website in January. If you have any requests for aspects you would like us to cover please speak to your child's teacher or any member of staff at the gate and we will try to incorporate them. Thank you

Sue Ferguson



REMINDER – LAST DAY OF TERM

The last day of term for Reception to year 6 is Wednesday 20th. Please note school finishes at 1 p.m. on this day.

- Please collect your child from their classroom as usual (the main playground gate will be opened at 12.55).
- Children may bring in toys and games for the last day but please note this is at your own risk. Please no electrical or handheld game devices.
- Children should be wearing normal school uniform.
- Nursery last day is Tuesday 20th at normal time.

Christmas Disco – Thursday 7th December

Times:

Rec, 1, 2 & 3 **3.45 – 5.00pm** (*Reception parents only may choose to stay with their Child.*)

Years 4, 5 & 6 **5.15 – 6.30pm** (*Sorry - no parents.*)

Tickets: Available in the playground from 1st December at the start and end of school. Please note price is **£1.50**

Access: Access is from the hall doors in the playground.



Also on sale: Snacks, drinks and glow bands for sale during the event (please bring change if possible).

Other Information

- **Please note all children must be collected from school at 3.15 as usual.** Children who are not collected will not be allowed to attend the event and ticket money will be refunded.
 - **Clubs will not run on this day. An extra date will be added.**
 - Please collect your child promptly as we have only 15 minutes between the two events and staff are giving up their own time so these events can take place.
- Please note both discos are NO PHOTOGRAPHY events (this includes mobile phones).



Nativity performances

Listed below are details of our upcoming nativity performances. Please note that some timings have been slightly adjusted due to the length of the performances.

Times given are when the performance starts, mince pies and teas and coffee are available before each performance, so come and join us for some festive cheer!



Wednesday 13th December – Years 1 & 2 @ 2.30 p.m.

(Please use main pupil gate which will open at 2pm and come to the hall).

Thursday 14th December – Reception & morning nursery @ 10.40 a.m.

Thursday 14th December – Reception & afternoon nursery @ 2.30 p.m.

(For both performances please use main pupil gate in the playground which will open at 10.10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and then come to the hall).

Christmas Cards



We are more than happy for children to bring in Christmas Cards for their friends which they can post in our school post box for delivery. However can you please make sure that when they are addressing the envelopes they put the child's name and class clearly on the front as it helps our year 6 'posties' make sure they get to the correct person! Thank you.

Christmas Arrangements



Date	Details
Thursday 7 th	Christmas Disco £1.50 entry, tickets available in the playground from 1 st December. Snacks & drinks for sale during event (please bring change if possible) Times Rec, 1, 2 & 3 3.45 – 5.00pm Yrs 4, 5 & 6 5.15 – 6.30pm Access is from the hall doors in the playground. Please note older children must go home and return for their event.
Wednesday 13 th	Nativity – Yrs 1 and 2 Time 2 pm gates open, 2.30 performance starts
Thursday 14 th	Nativity – Nursery and Reception Times Reception and AM Nursery 10.10-gates open, 10.40 -performance starts Reception and PM Nursery 2 pm- gates open 2.30 – performance starts
Tuesday 19 th	Christmas Dinner (with crackers) Wear a jolly jumper day (all children can wear a festive jumper rather than school colours – we request £1 donation towards our charities) LAST DAY FOR NURSERY CHILDREN
Wednesday 20 th	LAST DAY OF TERM – CHILDREN FINISH AT 1PM Children can bring in toys, but still need to wear school uniform. Please note we are not responsible for the safekeeping of toys bought in from home.



Reception Applications

Please remember that if your child is due to start Reception in September you must apply for their school place by 15th January 2018. If you need any support with this please contact the nursery or the main office. Thank you.

E-Safety - Tip of the Week

Subject: Social media accounts

Did you know that most social media sites and apps have a minimum age rating of 13?

If a social network has set an age limit it means that some of the content may not be suitable for a younger child. If despite this you are still considering letting your child join we would strongly recommend:

- Research the social network, find out what type of content your child may be exposed to.
- Discuss with them what acceptable and unacceptable contact and content is.





- ✚ Discuss with them what to do if they are worried about anything that they see or is asked.
- ✚ Discuss with them the importance of using avatars and a nickname rather than any personal details.
- ✚ Ensure that you 'friend' your child so that you can support them with acceptable and unacceptable requests or conversations.
- ✚ Ensure that the privacy settings are at their highest settings.
- ✚ **Find out more about what you may need to consider by visiting:**

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

We'd strongly advise you to follow the minimum age rating and be aware that use of any social media sites (including ones that are targeted towards children) will possibly bring them into contact with adults and strangers.

Stars of the Week



Class	Name	Value(s)
6 Shark	Mayowa	Resilience (For the effort he has made towards his work, the progress he has made this term is fantastic)
6 Whale	Deniz	Inspire (For an inspiring performance in Maths this week)
5 Dolphin	Emilia	Resilience (For focusing on her work and applying herself in all tasks)
5 Stingray	Rodrigo	Resilience (For his focus when editing his non-fiction report)
4 Octopus	Milana	Heard and Cared For (For sharing his ideas when writing a group story. Well done)
4 Seahorse	Atalya	Inspire (For being a brilliant 'slave' during our Greek workshop)
3 Lobster	Ajahni	Heard and Cared For (For sharing his knowledge in Maths. Well done!)
3 Turtle	Mollie	Inspire (For settling in well in Turtle Class)
2 Jellyfish	Delano	Successful (For trying hard with his report writing)
2 Starfish	Aayan	Inspire (For doing some great extra Maths homework)
1 Clownfish	Ebenezer	Heard and Cared For (For a positive change in his behaviour on the carpet and being a good role model to others about carpet behaviour)
1 Lionfish	Mary	Successful (For having an amazing first week)

Stars of the Week

Our stars are awarded in Friday assemblies to children who have shown particular commitment to our school values during the week. To say thank you we ask them to come to the front in our assembly and they can choose a friend to sit with them at their own special table at lunchtime that day.



House Winners

Congratulations to everyone in **Nelson Mandela** House for having the most house points this week



Attendance and Punctuality Winners

Attendance winners for the week ending 17th November are: **Starfish =99.33%**

Attendance Winners for week ending 24th November are: **Lionfish = 100%**

Punctuality winners for the week ending 17th November are: **Whale, Shark, Octopus, Lobster, Jellyfish, Starfish and Lionfish = 0 lates**

Punctuality winners for week ending 24th November are: **Dolphin, Seahorse, Octopus, Lobster, Jellyfish, Starfish and Lionfish = 0 lates**



Upcoming Diary Dates

DECEMBER



Date	Time(s)	Year	Details	Parent
------	---------	------	---------	--------



		Group(s)		Event?
Thu 7 th	3.45 – 5.00 p.m.	R - 3	Christmas Disco	YES
	5.15 – 6.30 p.m.	4 -6	Christmas Disco	NO
11th – 15th	TBC	All	Christmas gifts on sale (charity fundraiser)	NO
Wed 13 th	2.30 p.m.	1 & 2	Nativity performance	YES
Thu 14 th	10.40 a.m. 2.30p.m.	N & R	Nativity performances	YES
Tue 19th		All	Wear a Christmas or winter jumper (£1 donation)	NO
	12 p.m.	R - 6	Christmas Dinner	NO
		N	LAST DAY OF NURSERY (NORMAL FINISH TIME)	
Wed 20th		R-6	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL. SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1 P.M.	