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Head's Message

This week has been a wonderful week. On Wednesday the children in Carroll Class performed their Christmas nativity. Against a twinkling set, the children narrated lines and sung with confidence and enjoyment. There were beaming faces from not only the children but also the audience! Well done to the Reception team for their dedication and efforts which ensured the performance was a huge success. Thank you also parents/guardians for your support in making sure the children were well-prepared - their costumes in particular looked brilliant!

Thanks to all those who supported the Christmas Fair on Saturday. It was a fantastic community event that raised the impressive amount of **£4,000** for school funds. The glittery snowflakes displayed in the school hall are a wonderful reminder of the event, they have added a special touch as we enter the final weeks of the school term before the Christmas break.



Dahl Class visited the House of Illustration today. They've already been practising their artistic skills by exploring how they might use a similar style to Quentin Blake to draw memorable characters from the Roald Dahl books. We look forward to hearing all about their adventure!

Enjoy the long weekend, see you on Monday!

Celebration Assemblies

Friday 16th December – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents

🎵 Composer of the Week

Our composer next week will be:
Michael Bublé



Home Learning

Reception: See EYFS News.

Year 1: Find out about Christmas trees.

Year 2: Design and label the most exciting character you can.

Year 3: When did the Iron Age end and why?

Year 4: Design a 'Queen Victoria Please Machine', using your knowledge of her likes and dislikes.

Year 5: Listen to a story on the radio <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schoolradio> and write a summary of what happened

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 9th December – INSET Day (School CLOSED for pupils)

Friday 16th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 16th December – Christmas Dinner

Tuesday 20th December – 6pm - Christmas Carols

Wednesday 21st December – School closes for Christmas at 1:30pm (**there will be NO after school care on this day**)

Inspire Excellence

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility



Notices

Christmas Cards

Our Christmas post box will be put out in the Foyer area on Monday 12th December. If your child would like to send Christmas cards to their class, they can post them in the post box.

Year 2 Trip to the House of Illustration

Dahl Class became budding artists today at the House of Illustration, taking inspiration from the amazing artists in exhibitions including Laura Carlin and Quentin Blake (who they were very excited about!) They then went on to create their own fantastic characters using collage!

Ayssar said *"We've had 'fun' making our crazy animal characters."*

Kaito said *"I liked looking at the galleries because there were lots of inspiring pictures! I can't wait to draw some more!"*



Outstanding Balances

Letters will be sent out to parents next week outlining outstanding balances on your child's account, including after school clubs, care and school meals. Please settle your account by Friday 16th December. Thank you.

After School Clubs/After School Care

Reminder - There will be no After School Clubs on the last week of term. The last club is on Thursday 15th December 2016.

Important – please note that there will be NO After School Care on Friday 16th December 2016.

Important Reminder

The school day finishes at 4.00pm. Any children that have not been picked up by 4.10pm will be taken into After School Care and there will be a charge of £3.50 for the hour's session. If you wish your child to attend the After School Care, please let the school office know in advance. Thank you.

Polite Request

For safeguarding purposes, when collecting children from After School Clubs or After School Care, can we request that parents/carers wait in the Foyer and not go through the Library to the classrooms. Thank you.

EYFS News



The Carroll class nativity this week was a big success and Mrs Hyslop and the EYFS team were extremely proud of all the pupils for their great performances.