



Newsletter

14th December 2018

Autumn Term 2018

20th December	Last Day of Term – 2pm finish
21st December	Occasional Day - School Closed
2019	
7th January	Inset Day - School Closed
8th January	Back to school
9th January	Yr 3 Donaldson weekly swimming begins (Wednesday)
10th January	Yr 3 Pratchett weekly swimming begins (Thursday)
16th January	Yr 6 Lincolnsfield Trip
17th January	Nursery Parent Tour – please book at office
22nd January	Nursery Parent Tour – please book at office
28th January	Houses of Parliament Visit
29th January	Young Voices 02 Concert
1st February	Nursery Parent Tour – please book at office
11th February	Nursery Parent Tour – please book at office
18th - 22nd Feb	Half Term
25th February	Back to school
5th April	Last Day of Term – 2pm finish
23rd April	Back to school

This week:

What a busy week: we were treated to very enthusiastic Christmas performances from Reception, Year 1 and Year 2! On Tuesday everyone enjoyed Christmas Dinner and thank you to the catering staff and our MSAs. Thank you also to ALSA who supplied the crackers. Nursery had a lovely trip to the Santa Show in Watford, whilst Year 5 sang wonderfully at the Christmas Carol concert at St Lawrence Church.

A reminder that next week school finishes early on Thursday at 2pm; the Newsletter will begin again in January. Have a lovely Christmas and New Year!

Rebecca Negrello

Photos of the week: Christmas dinner!



Reception Admissions for September 2019

A reminder that the deadline for applications for places in Reception is **Tuesday 15 January 2019**. Parents will need to make an application by the closing date to ensure their application is considered as on-time. Parents should apply online at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions.

Mr Tavender

Mr Tavender has been seconded to our school as Deputy Head during Mrs Salt's maternity leave. He returns full time to his home school at Christmas and I want to thank him on behalf of all of us for his contribution during his time with us.

Winter boots

Please note that boots are permitted to be worn by girls in the winter. They need to be ankle height, no Uggs and no heels.

Outstanding dinner money

Please check the School Gateway regularly to keep on top of outstanding dinner money. Please note dinner money payments should be received in advance.

Lost property

This will be cleared on Tuesday 18th December. Please check the cupboard before items are disposed of.

Recorder and flute lessons

We have some vacancies for recorder and flute lessons. Please contact the office if interested.

Hertfordshire Children Safeguarding Board

The Board has asked us to share the following information:

In the run up to Christmas, it's especially important to be aware of toys and devices that use button batteries (the flat disc-like silver batteries) and to make sure we keep children safe by using, storing and disposing of them properly.

It's extremely dangerous to swallow button batteries or to insert them into noses or ears where they can still create a circuit and cause harm.

Button batteries are in far more products that you might initially think, including car key fobs, musical cards and books as well as toys that are powered and household electrical items, such as a thermometer.

Always make sure that button batteries are securely stored out of sight and reach of children. When they are no longer powering items, dispose of them safely and do not leave them laying around – they can still harm children if swallowed, even if the product they power needs new ones.

We have created the attached poster to use on your site or in your communications to raise awareness and make sure children are kept safe.

If you suspect that a child or young person has swallowed a button battery, seek medical advice urgently and take them to A&E.

Parking

We have been notified of a car being hit by a parent outside the residential flats in Parsonage Close. We do have the number plates of the cars involved. Please be considerate of how you park.

Also: Please refrain from parking at the garages in Parsonage Close. It causes difficulties for the garage owners to use their garages.

Attendance:

Class	Red <95%	Amber 95%	Green 96%+
Tiggywinkles			98.3
Cotton Tails			96.2
Wonderland			96.7
Neverland			97.3
Blake	91.4		
Dahl			96.3
Donaldson			97.2
Potter			96.6
Pratchett			99.6
Blyton		95	
Rowling	94.8		
Fine			98.7
Morpurgo			97
Lewis	89		
Wells		95.7	
Rundell			98

Our overall attendance this week is 96.1%.