



# Bevendean Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **All things Christmas**



The last few weeks of the winter term are always very busy with Christmas performances, shows, Christmas Fayre, parties, charity events and this year for the first time a Christmas performance. The children were able to enjoy this fantastic production of Scrooge and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you to everyone who contributed their £1.50 to this. It was such a success that we would love to have the Flying Pizza Company back in next year to perform Wind in the Willows. We know Christmas is an expensive time of year but this really brought some magic to our children who were able to interact with the performers during the performance.

### **Christmas Calendar reminders:**

#### **➤ Reindeer Run - Tuesday 6th December**

The Reindeer Run is an obstacle course set up for children to follow, while wearing their 'glowing nose' and reindeer antlers. Remember to get all your friends and family to sponsor - there is a certificate and house points for the child who makes the most sponsor money in each class and an overall prize for highest amount in KS1 and KS2. Children will be making a giant Christmas card per house and a lovely Christmas decoration per house to give to the children in Chestnut Tree House. Please bring in sponsor monies promptly after the event.

#### **➤ Christmas Dinner - Thursday 15th December**

Please make sure that you send in your filled in Christmas dinner form (even if your child prefers to have their own packed lunch, by Friday 9th December). Don't forget payment for KS2 children's dinner which must be paid by Monday 12th December through ParentPay - see Debbie for help if required, (Reception & KS1 have Universal Free School Meals).

#### **➤ Christmas Shows**

- Tuesday 13th December - Nursery, Reception, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performance at 2.00pm
- Wednesday 14th December - Nursery, Reception, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performance at 9.30am
- Wednesday 14th December - Y3/Y4 Christmas Performance at 2.00pm
- Friday 16th December - Y5/Y6 Christmas performance at 2.00pm



Tickets are available from the school office - 2 tickets per child, until noon on Monday 5th December where you may obtain extra ones on a first come first serve basis.

On the afternoons of Tuesday 13th December and Wednesday 14th December, refreshments will be served (at a small cost) in the school canteen between the shows and at pick up. (for the safeguarding reasons, please do not wander through the school at this time).

#### **➤ Christmas Post Box for Cards - from Monday 5th December**

Please put children's FULL name and CLASS on the front of the envelope.



## **FABS Christmas Fayre**

What an amazing turn out for the Christmas Fayre this year. We cannot thank the FABS (Friends at Bevendean School) team enough for their hard work and continued commitment to providing positive experiences for our children and help raise money. The hall was buzzing with fun Christmas activities and Father Christmas went home exhausted! Thank you to everyone who came along and supported us.

## **Uniform**

We are delighted that so many children are wearing the correct school uniform and shoes, however, there are still a minority who aren't in the correct attire. Please make use of the holidays to sort out the correct uniform. If you are unsure please check the school website ([http://bevendean.eschools.co.uk/website/school\\_uniform/](http://bevendean.eschools.co.uk/website/school_uniform/))

## **Reminder - Reception Places**

The deadline for registering new reception children, starting September 2017, is 15th January 2017.

## **Nursery Places**

We will also be offering extra nursery sessions for children who would like to attend over the state provision of 15 hours per week. Please contact the school office, Miss Ingram or Mr Giddens for further details.

## **Grounds Maintenance**

You may have noticed how over-grown our grounds had become. We have changed contractors and they have given the grounds a much needed tidy up which should look fantastic come spring with all the new growth.

## **After School Clubs**

The school clubs have been a big success this term, where children were able to enjoy Art, Sports, Drama as well as guitar lessons. These will all be continuing next term, information for clubs can be found on the school website under the clubs tab, kindly contact the club directly for bookings and enquiries.

## **Schools Out - after schools activity club**

The new after school club, 'Schools Out' will be starting from Wednesday 4th January and will run every day from 3.15pm to 5.15pm. This club will be run for all children from Reception to Year 6. There will be lots of fun activities including art & crafts, cookery, role playing, games and bike/ anything on wheels day plus lots more. Please look at the website to find out more information (also under the clubs tab), to register or contact them directly via [SchoolsOutBev@outlook.com](mailto:SchoolsOutBev@outlook.com) for more information. Please remember to pre-book for next term from now.

## **Parent / Carer Session**

Thank you to all of you who were able to attend the eSafety meeting in November, we hope this was useful to you.

## **Last day of term - 'Christmas Funtastic'**

All children can come dressed in Christmas colours, Christmas jumpers and Christmas clothes to celebrate the last day of term. A donation of £1.00 for the privilege!



## **Inset Day - Back to school**

There is an INSET day on Tuesday 3rd January and children return to school on Wednesday 4th January 2017. Gates open at 8.45am as usual.

## **Christmas Greeting**

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our children and their families a Christmas filled with fun and happiness. Have a happy and relaxing holiday.