



Dear Parents/Carers

I am looking forward to welcoming you to our Christmas performances . These will be a lovely end to our term. My thanks to Mr Allen who is responsible for making most of the amazing Christmas decorations that brighten up our school and to his colleague, Mr Lloyd, who helped him to put them all up.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

*R Kennedy
Head Teacher*



Thank you to all our current volunteers who make such an important contribution to the life of the school.

We are always in need of more volunteers to help in school to read (especially in Reception) with children and help out on school trips. If you have any free time to spare and would be interested in putting your name forward for either, please speak to our office staff.

EAL Drop-in

Is your child learning English as an additional language (EAL)?

Do you have any worries or questions about your child's English Language Learning? Would you like some advice about how to help them at home?

A member of the school's EAL staff will be available from 3pm each Monday to speak to you and answer any queries. Just come to the School Office. We look forward to meeting you.



Safeguarding

Please take some time to have a look at the Safeguarding page on our School Website. You will find information about our ‘Safeguarding Team’ and links to useful documents and websites.

You can find the information on the ‘Keeping Your Child Safe (Safeguarding)’ page which can be found on the ‘Parents’ tab.

General Information

Information about current Year Group Topics, including dates of hooks, trips, and outcomes, voluntary contributions required and curriculum coverage are available on the Year Group pages from the first day of each topic. Copies of Class Letters and Whole School Letters are also available to download from either the Year Group Page or the ‘Letters’ page which can be found under the ‘Parents tab.

Please make sure you are aware of these dates.

Please check the website regularly as information is updated on a regular basis.

School Library

From January, the School Library will be open to children in KS2 from 8:10am every morning. They will be able to come in and read or change their library books.

We are excited to announce that we are now using a new online library system called Junior Librarian.net.

The new system allows pupils, staff and parents to view our school library catalogue online and pupils are encouraged to use this to help with research, to write reviews about books they have read and search for new books and other library resources.

The system includes a fantastic new feature called ‘Who Next’ which recommends new books and authors based on the books that your child has already read. You will be able to use this feature at home to help your child select their next book.

By the end of next week, every child will have received a letter containing their login details.

You can find a link to Junior Librarian on the ‘Quick Links’ section of the Home Page of the School website.



Headlice



If a case of headlice is identified in your child’s class we will send out a text notifying you of this. Please check your child’s hair to see if they have been affected.

You can find advice from the NHS about identifying and treating headlice and nits on the Home Page of the school website under ‘Quick Links’— ‘Information About Headlice’.



Class Christmas Party Day

Thursday 15 December

This will be a Mufti Day.

The children may wear their party clothes or Christmas jumpers to school.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 12 December 2016	Reception Christmas Performance 9.30am
	Reception Christmas Performance 1.45pm
Tuesday 13 December 2016	KS1 Christmas Performance 9.30am
	KS1 Christmas Performance 1.45pm
Wednesday 14 December	KS2 Christmas Performance 1.45pm
	KS2 Christmas Performance 6pm
Thursday 15 December	Class Christmas Parties
Friday 16 December	Last Day of Autumn Term—School finishes at 1pm
Tuesday 3 January 2017	First Day of Spring Term