



## CULWORTH C of E PRIMARY ACADEMY

### NEWSLETTER 2

December 2016



Dear Parents

It's been another very busy and enjoyable month in school since the last newsletter. The children have been working really hard on their various projects in school and the classrooms are looking great. Thank you to everyone associated with school for your support with everything that has gone by over the last few weeks. Everyone is now preparing for and really looking forward to Christmas festivities.

#### **Open Morning**

We had a very successful open morning with a steady flow of families coming into school to look around, both for Reception next September and for other year groups across the school. The school was looking fantastic as always and your children were excellent ambassadors for their school. We had so many positive comments about the manners of the children, the way that they all work so well together and how happy they all looked. I would like to say a huge thank you to the CPSA for coming into school on the morning to serve tea/coffee and biscuits and to all parents that so kindly volunteered to do leaflet drops in to advertise the morning. We could not have had the successful morning we did without all of your support.

#### **Children in Need**

We raised a whopping £245.50 so many thanks to all who baked cakes, dressed up and donated all that lovely cash.

#### **News from the CPSA**

The fantastic **school calendar** starring all your little cherubs will soon be available for purchase at £6 per copy. Slips will be appearing in the book bags soon.

Fireworks raised an extraordinary amount this year with a grand total of £1437. Many, many thanks to all who organised, participated and attended.

The Christmas Fair is back, bigger and better than ever! It is on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December from 1pm until 4 pm in the school hall. Perfect for last minute panic buying...

Raffle tickets are still available with some great prizes to be won, including a Kindle Fire and a voucher for The Red Lion.

We do still need more donations of chocolate, secret Santa gifts (suitable for parents rather than children) and bottles of wine for the raffle too. These can all be left at the school office and Mrs Boasman has promised not to eat/drink any of it...

### The Nest & The Burrow

The children from the Nest and the Burrow have been very busy looking at the different roles for people in medieval castles culminating in their fantastic feast day and the Happening History visit.



### The Drey

Unfortunately, the Drey were stricken with terrible Tudor ailments this week, including small pox, the plague and gout. Hanging a red curtain around her bed hopefully means Romilly recovers from smallpox, and Rebecca may survive the plague if she puts a herb on her windowsill.



We investigated various Tudor "cures" and are in the process of writing instructions to prepare the remedies. We are not convinced swallowing frogs will help with asthma so may be seeking further advice from the Ted's parents shortly.

Luckily however, they all recovered in time to have a wonderful time at Compton Verney!

### The Den

The Den thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Compton Verney to look at Tudor artefacts and portraits. I'm sure you'll agree that Mr Johnson, Mrs Clark and Lucas look fantastic in their Tudor outfits.



## **The Eyrie**

The Eyrie have been looking at and producing illuminated letters as part of their RE topic on Christianity and The Bible.



## **100 Club**

The winner for October is Paul Ormond. Please contact Jenny Winstanley to join the 100 Club. It helps raise money for the school and you have a great chance of winning!

## **Snowman Competition**

Amy Carey in The Drey and Katya Marie in The Eyrie were chosen by Mr Johnson as the winners from Culworth for the Dolce Snowman Competition. All the entries were fantastic and it was very hard to choose between them. Amy and Katya's pictures have been sent off to Dolce - good luck!

## **Nits for Christmas? No Thanks!**

Sadly I have to report that we have had another visit from The Nit Fairy. Please can you check your children's hair and take action if necessary. If you need to use a treatment don't forget to repeat it 7 days later and check regularly for unwanted guests...

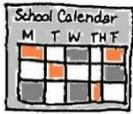


## **Music Lessons**

There are a couple of spaces for violin lessons starting next term - please ask in the School Office for more details.

## **Wrap Around Care**

Just a quick reminder about our Breakfast Club and After School Club. If you need a few extra hours to get things done during the busy run up to Christmas don't forget we offer Breakfast Club from 8 am and After School Club from 3.30 until 6 pm (ideal for a bit of peaceful Christmas shopping). Forms are available from the School Office.



## Term Dates

Please note the following dates in your diary/calendar. We will notify you of any changes if/when they occur.

### December

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Last multi-skills session
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Creating Christmas Day
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Key Stage 2 (Years 3,4,5,6) Tudor/Shakespearean Festive Songs Extravaganza - also joined by Boddington (Years 5 & 6). Performances at 2 pm & 6 pm in the hall.
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Chenderit Enrichment Day
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 & 2 children (who have opted to participate) to Wade Gym for gymnastics (arrive at school for 8.30 am)
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Culworth School Choir to sing at Culworth Care Home in the morning & Chenderit Christmas Concert (2 pm practise, concert at 6.30 pm).
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Postbox is opened!
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Dolce Christmas Dinner - please make sure you've booked this on-line.
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper Day! Year 1, 2 & 3 flu nasal spray. Christmas Nativity Performances for Key Stage 1 (Reception, Year 1 & Year 2) at 2 pm & 6 pm in the school hall.
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup>	CPSA Fabulous Christmas Fair 1 pm - 4 pm in The School Hall
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Party Day/Panto Day
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	2 pm Christingle Service End of Term

### January 2017

Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Term begins
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Key Stage 1 (The Nest and The Burrow) - Trip to London (a letter to follow shortly).

New e-mail addresses for Mrs Boasman and Mrs Cummins

Mrs Boasman - [culworthadmin@cb-cepa.org](mailto:culworthadmin@cb-cepa.org)

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