



## OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Fringford C.E. Primary School

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### DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

As we approach the end of term here are some of the events that have taken place and also a reminder of all the things that will be happening next week.

#### Children In Need

Thank you to all those who sent in cakes to be sold and supported the Mufti Day. We are pleased to say we raised £175.00 on the day.

#### Village Hall Parking

**This Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> December the Village Hall car park will not be available from lunchtime as the Hall is being used for a funeral.**

#### Absences and Lateness

A reminder that parents should contact the School Office in the morning when a child is absent from school. We have an answerphone so messages can be left at any time. If a child is vomiting the medical instruction is that a child does not return to school for 48 hours. This is to safeguard all the other children and staff as we know such things are contagious and can cause major disruption.

Lateness is becoming an issue in some classes and we would remind you that school registers are technically "closed" at 9.10 a.m. after which your child is termed "Late after Registers Closed" and is classed as unauthorised. The start of the morning session is very important for settling children in to the classroom and important routines and information can be missed.

## **Bad Weather**

It appears that winter has finally arrived so could you ensure that all children have appropriate clothing as some are still arriving at school with no coat. In the case of extreme weather please check by listening to local radio or go to the following web address:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/school-closures>

You will all have a copy of the Emergency Contact Pyramid for your child's class so please keep this with you and be prepared to contact the next person on the list as quickly as possible. It is vital that any changes in your contact details are given to the school office as soon as possible as we have to amend all the pyramids.

## **Staffing**

As you are all aware Mrs Gamble will be leaving at the end of term and we all wish her well in her new home and school. Mrs Emilie Fidler has already been in school a number of times to work with Mrs Gamble and the children so that the transition for Class 4 will be smooth.

## **Christmas Arrangements**

We were fortunate to have our annual performed pantomime this week provided by the West Midlands Childrens Theatre. As usual they put on a very good show which was enjoyed by all.

The children's Christmas post box is now operational. Please could you ensure that the recipients' class number is put on the envelope as this makes the Sorting Office run much more smoothly!

Recorder Concert - this will be held this Thursday (11<sup>th</sup>) at 2.00 p.m. and anyone is welcome.

Year 1 and 2 Christmas Play "It's a Baby!" - this will be taking place at 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December in the School Hall.

Christmas Celebration at the Church - this will take place at 2.00 p.m. on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> December and will involve children in Years 1 to 6. If parents wish to take their Foundation child with them to Church please could they let Class 1 know. Children will return as a group to the school when they will pick up their belongings and will be ready to be collected by parents.

Following the Service FOFS are organising refreshments in the School Hall and the raffle will be drawn.

Christmas Lunch – our Christmas Lunch will be on the last day of term (19<sup>th</sup> December). For children bringing packed lunch we ask parents to provide something appropriately festive, e.g. mince pies, festive shaped sandwiches and other appropriate items. The school provide the crackers.

It is hoped that we may have a special visitor in school during the last day so we will all keep our fingers crossed.

School finishes at 2.00 p.m. and will re-open on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2015.

**Merry Christmas from everybody at the school.**