

Newsletter

Friday 15th December 2017



Dear Parent/Carer,

The children, with your invaluable support, and all of our staff have worked incredibly hard this term. We have seen some excellent progress being made. We are almost ready to begin the Christmas break; we finish the term on Wednesday 20th December. Please see below for Year Group Christmas Party Dates: as in past years, pupils can wear non-uniform on their Party Day. I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas break when it comes - we look forward to welcoming pupils back to school on Monday 8th January 2018. After school today is the Friends Christmas event - I look forward to seeing you there.

Jane Sendall
Headteacher

Whole school attendance this term is 95.3%

Place Farm Primary Academy Target is 96%.

On Monday evening, a group of Year Six children performed at our annual Christmas Carol Service, held at St Mary's Church, along with children from Clements Primary Academy and Castle Manor Academy. The service shared a variety of readings, carols and songs performed by the pupils and students from the Academies. Our children confidently performed the classic 'Rockin Around the Christmas Tree' to a well-supported audience, and represented Place Farm superbly. Well done to all involved, and in particular to our Head Boy, Jamie, and Head Girl, Karolina, for presenting a reading to the congregation. Thank you to those parents and carers who supported the event. Mr Mayes.



Calendar

December

EYFS Nativity - Tuesday 19th December and Wednesday 20th December (please bring your tickets)

Christmas Parties: Tuesday 19th December: Rainbow Class, Year One, Year Four and Year Six

Wednesday 20th December: EYFS, Year Two, Year Three and Year Five

Autumn term ends Wednesday 20th December and the Spring term begins for children on Monday 8th January (4th and 5th January are PD Days)

January

Monday 8th January 2018: First day of the Spring Term

Fairy Tale Dressing Up Day In Foundation.

The children have been exploring different well known 'Fairy Tales'. The children decided to have a Fairy Tale dressing up day! The day was full of smiles, and the children all looked fantastic in their costumes: they loved showing their outfits to their friends. The children enjoyed dancing to different songs from their favourite movies and wrote their own stories. After a busy day, they enjoyed a cake and some juice! Mrs. Payne and Miss Bailey



Rainbow Class Christmas Celebration.

Wednesday afternoon the children in Rainbow Class invited their parents, siblings and friends into the classroom for a Christmas Celebration. The children and adults went straight into a gingerbread man hunt, trying to crack the code to find the secret word! Then everyone enjoyed lots of craft activities, such as: calendar making; icing cookies; writing letters to Santa; and making decorations for the Christmas tree. Everyone enjoyed themselves and it was so nice to have time to chat to you all. Thank you so much for supporting your children, and, as we finish this term, we would like to wish you a Happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

Mrs. Shaw and Mrs. Cutts



There is a really interesting write-up about the Basketball Competition that Place Farm took part in this week, written by Jodileigh (Year Six) on the next page. Well done Place Farm!

Our Basketball competition.

Tuesday, the 12th of December, we (Place Farm) had a basketball competition. First of all we practised shooting from different angles. We started, heart's-pounding, spines-chilling. Each match - 12 minutes long, first half (6 minutes) was all boys and second half (again 6 minutes) was all-girls. We played 3 schools; Burton End, Couals and Clements. Place Farm won every game! (not to brag 😊) On the other hand, in one of the games, Sienna Stevenson accidentally, scored on the wrong side 😊 (She forgot that we switch sides after half time!) Overall we had a very enjoyable time at the leisure centre!!