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Dear Parents,

I thought I'd wait until nearer the end of term before publishing December's newsletter, so we can fill it with festive cheer and all of the exciting "Christmassy" things that have been going on in school these last few weeks!

May I take this opportunity to thank all of the staff for their tireless work this term, with a particular mention about their work to make this special time of year memorable for the children. It's a busy time of year and the staff team has been amazing!

Our Christmas Craft day was a huge success. The children all had a great time, making lots of different Christmas decorations and other craft items. In addition, children in Dragonflies Class have been busy making Christmas cakes this week; enjoy!

Thank you to all who supported our PTA Christmas Fair. Lots of prizes were won, lots of cake and chocolate eaten, plus there may have been the odd glass of fizz consumed, too. It was great to see so many of you there, helping to raise funds for our school. We are also looking forward to having 'Breakfast With Santa' on Friday. Thank you once again to our fabulous PTA for organising these events.

I hope that parents and carers of children in the Infants enjoyed this years' Nativity, 'It's A Baby', as much as I did. If an Infant Nativity doesn't get you in the mood for Christmas, then I don't know what will!

This week, the Infants enjoyed the performance of 'Giraffes Can't Dance' at the Curve Theatre and the juniors led our wonderful Christmas Carol Service at All Saints Church, helping us spend some time reflecting on the true meaning of Christmas at this hectic time of year.

If I don't see you on the gate before the end of term, may I take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and wish you a happy and restful Christmas and New Year. We'll see you all, bright-eyed and bushy tailed, back at school on Tuesday 7th January.

Merry Christmas!

Kind regards, Mr. Matt. Howard

Newsletter

Newsletters are published each month, including on our website. For more up-to-date news about all the fantastic things that are going on in school, keep an eye on our Facebook page and Twitter feed.

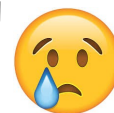


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Mrs Wetton

Mrs Wetton, who has worked in our office for over two years, has secured a promotion and will be leaving us at the end of the week. She will be starting her new venture at Ullesthorpe Primary in January and we wish her all the very best; she will be missed greatly.



The Village Hall

We have been working really hard this term with the Trustees of the Village Hall to make improvements to the hall for all who use it. The piano has gone to a new home, where we are sure it will be played regularly and cherished by its' new owners. Over the holidays, there will be several improvement projects carried out:

1. Treated and re-varnished floor.
2. A new full-length electrical cupboard, negating the 'bump' hazard.
3. A new combination lock on the front door, so that uninvited people cannot access the building when groups are in there.

Thank you to the trustees for continuing to work with us to bring about these improvements.

Excellent Work

Extra-special, quality work recognised and celebrated, by:



Ladybird Class: The whole class for super Nativity work!

Butterfly Class: Rachel— super effort. Isabel—improving phonics.

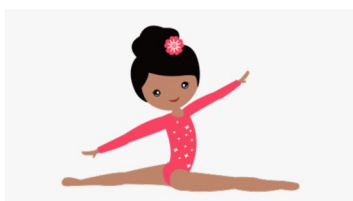
Bumblebee Class: Emma, Stan, Lani & Finn—sensible, hard workers.

Dragonfly Class: Aidan & Ava—giving their best, Zavier—writing, Imogen—reading

SuperStar Gymnasts

A special mention for these girls, who have been superstar gymnasts this term, demonstrating super skills. Well done!

- Larni
- Isla
- Isabel
- Eve
- Mia



Monthly E Safety Tip Online Gaming

Ask your children "How does this game/app work?" "Can I play?" Show a genuine interest and you will find out whether you think the game is appropriate and/or safe for your child.

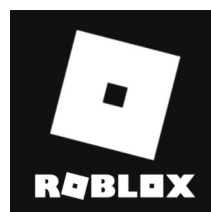


Photo Gallery



Diary Dates (* = Parents/Carers Invited)

Fri 20/12/19	- Breakfast With Santa @ Village Hall
Thu 16/01/20	- Yr 6 SATS Information Afternoon 3:30 p.m. *
Mon 20/01/20	- Young Voices * (ticket event)
Wed 29/01/20	- Reception & Yr6 National Measurement Programme
Tue 04/02/20	- X Country Meet @ Mkt harboro' 3:30 pm *
Wed 12/02/20	- Parents' Evening (late) *
Thu 27/02/20	- KS2: Boy In The Dress Theatre Trip
Thu 13/02/20	- Parents' Evening (early) *
Tue 10/03/20	- Dodgeball @ Lutterworth College
Mon 23/03/20	- Mini Lads Tournament
Tue 31/03/20	- Bumble Bees Class Production *
Mon 27/04/20	- Class Photographs
w/c 11/05/20	- Yr 6 SATS Week
Tue 19/05/20	- Yr 6 Trip to Warning Zone
Weds 03/06/20	- Saffron Lane Athletics *
Weds 10/06/20	- Mini Tennis (Yr 3/4) @ Lutterworth High
Thu 30/06/20	- Dragonflies Class Production (p.m. & eve) *
Fri 03/07/20	- Reports Out To Parents

Spring Term Sports

We have loads more sport on offer next term:

* Dodgeball * Netball * Cross Country * Fencing * Mini-Lads

More details from Mrs Gamble to follow...



Term Dates

Term Dates Academic Year 2019-20

Autumn Term: Thu 29th August to Fri 11th October 2019 Mon 21st October to Fri 20th December 2019

Spring Term: Tue 7th January to Fri 14th February 2020 Mon 24th February to Fri 3rd April 2020

Summer Term: Mon 20th April to Fri 22nd May 2020 Mon 1st June to Fri 10th July 2020

Closed for May Day on Fri 8th May 2020

Term Dates Academic Year 2020-21

Autumn Term: Wed 26th August to Fri 16th October 2020 Mon 26th October to Fri 18th December 2020

Closed for August Bank Holiday on Mon 31st August 2020

Spring Term: Tue 5th January to Fri 12th February 2021 Mon 22nd February to Fri 26th March 2021

Summer Term: Mon 12th April to Fri 28th May 2021 Mon 7th June to Fri 9th July 2021

Closed for May Day on Mon 3rd May 2021