



Mears Ashby School News

Wednesday 20th December

Values Education





Our value is: Happiness: Proverbs 16:20: "He that handles a matter wisely shall find good; and whoever trusts in the LORD, happy is he."

End of Term

What a fantastic term it has been for all the pupils at the school. Everyone has achieved so much and we are pleased so many of you have made it to our Parent Drop In sessions and the classes' Fabulous Finishes.

All the trips have gone really well and our pupils have benefited from the learning experience gained from their varying visits.

 *Thank you for all of your support this term and we would like to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.* 

EYFS/KS1 Nativity Performance & KS2 Pantomime

Thank you to everyone who supported the children's brilliant Christmas performances of 'It's A Baby' and the pantomime of 'Aladdin Trouble' both performed in our new school hall. A lot of time, preparation and effort goes into the production of the festive shows and we are pleased that we could share our performances with so many of you.

Christmas Parties

The children enjoyed great Christmas parties in their classes on Friday afternoon and they all looked very festive in their Christmas jumpers. Thank you also for all the lovely food contributions you brought in that made the parties a great success. There was even a visit from Santa Claus himself!

Poppy Appeal Donations

We raised a total of £38.47 for the British Legion's Poppy Appeal.

ATTENDANCE FOR DECEMBER

please note the expected attendance is 96%

CLASS	Presents	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	Possible	% Attend
ACORNS	257	9	0	300	97
ELMS	514	8	6	550	97.5
SYCAMORES	517	10	1	552	98
OAKS	522	6	1	552	98.7
Totals	1810	33	8	1954	97

Whole School Pantomime Trip

All our children thoroughly enjoyed this year's pantomime of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs at the Lighthouse Theatre in Kettering last Wednesday.

Christmas Hampers

Thank you to everyone for all your generous contributions for the Christmas hampers. The winners were drawn on Tuesday morning and the winners have been notified. The winners were 1st Mrs Rushton, 2nd Archie Worthington, 3rd Michelle Tipler, 4 Max Perret-King's step-dad, 5th Sophia Woodruff, 6th Sophia Woodruff's grandma, 7th Max Perret-King's mum and 8th – Suzanna Green.

The amount raised for the school from the raffle and refreshments was a total of £252.90

Chocolate Bingo

Our first Chocolate Bingo event at the school was a huge success and it raised a total of £275.68 for the school.

Weekly Friday Cake Stalls

Starting in January we will be hosting cakes stalls each week for school funds and all year groups will take their turn to run and bring in donations of cakes on a Friday morning. Cakes cost 50p to buy after school.

**Year 6- 12th January , Year 5 - 19th January
Year 4- 26th January , Year 3 - 2nd February
Year 2 - 9th February , Year 1 - 23 February**

Reception - 2nd March. Reminder letters will be sent home ahead of each year's sale.

Oaks PGL Caythorpe Trip

Just a reminder that the second instalment of £50 was due on 30th November, 3rd instalment due by 15th January and third and final payment of £47.35 due by 15th February 2018. Thank you.

Applying for Primary School

If your child turns 4 before 31st August 2018, it's now time to apply for your child's school place for September 2018. Closing date for applications is 5pm on Monday 15th January.

For more information visit www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions.

Breakfast & After School Club

From 4th January both Breakfast and After School Clubs will be run from the school hall. The outside door into the hall will be the drop off and collection point in the mornings and the evenings. *Please remember to book your childcare places in advance online via SchoolMoney.*

Dates for the Diary:

Last day of term - Wednesday 20th December
Training Day - Wednesday 3rd January
(School Closed)
Start of New Term - Thursday 4th January
(School re-opens)

December Birthdays

Ethan, Finlay, Jessica, Oscar & Thomas