



Mersey Drive Newsletter

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'Artistic, sporting and cultural opportunities add to the focus on academic success and are greatly appreciated by the pupils'
(Ofsted 2017)

Christmas is Coming!

It's that time of year once more! The nights are getting longer, the air is getting colder and the Christmas Season is upon us. This year's Nativity production by KS1 is Humph the Camel and rehearsals are well under way! Letters have been sent home to advise that there will be two performances—Tuesday, 11th December and Wednesday, 12th December, both at 2:00pm. Tickets are available from the office with an allowance of TWO TICKETS PER FAMILY.

We are also looking forward to our Christmas Fair which is being held at Mersey Drive on Thursday, 6th December starting at 2:45pm. All are welcome for browsing, Christmas shopping and festive treats!

We are looking forward to seeing you there!



Pudsey Biscuit Day

On the Friday, 16th November we asked for 50p from pupils for a Pudsey biscuit.

From this, we raised a fantastic £115.50 for Children in Need.

Thank you to all who contributed and special thanks to our fabulous kitchen staff for baking the tasty treats!



Mrs Boyd

We are sad to say that Mrs Boyd will be leaving us at the end of term.

We will of course be appointing a new member of staff for the New Year who will continue the good work Mrs Boyd has started with Year 2 students.

We would like to thank Mrs Boyd for all her hard work at Mersey Drive and wish her all the luck in the future.

Excelling at E-Safety

This week was E-Safety week for pupils and staff at Mersey Drive.

Miss Coe, our Year 4 teacher, gave a fantastic assembly teaching children ways to stay safe online.

For further information about keeping your child safe online, please visit our school website: <http://www.merseydriveprimary.org.uk/parents-information/e-safety>



Authors at Mersey Drive

We are proud to announce that poems have been selected to be published as part of the Young Writers annual poetry competition!



Congratulations to our Year 5 authors!

Diary Dates		Crazy Christmas Jumper Day
November 2018		Mersey Drive's 'Crazy Christmas Jumper Day' will take place on Friday 14th December – the same day as we will be having our Christmas Dinner. 
Friday 30th	Non-Uniform Day Bottle Donation	
December 2018		 All children are invited to wear a festive jumper for a donation of £1 for our Mersey Drive School Fund. All monies raised will be spent on Mersey Drive children.
Monday 3rd – Friday 7th	Enterprise Week	
Wednesday 4th	ASC Provision Trip	Attendance Matters! We are striving to achieve excellent attendance at Mersey Drive. Many of our pupils achieve 100% attendance which is fantastic! The winners of this weeks' attendance awards goes to... Year 5!
Thursday 6th	2:45pm Christmas Fair	
Tuesday 11th & Wednesday 12th	2:00pm Nativity Play	Remember: If your child is ill please contact the school at the start of the day to report the absence. You must contact school at the beginning of each day of the absence period.
Thursday 13th	KS1/KS2 Theme Challenge Events	
Friday 14th	Crazy Christmas Jumper Day 9:00am Awards Assembly 12:15pm Christmas Dinner	Odd Sock Day On Thursday, 15th November children and teachers came to school wearing odd socks for a donation of £1. This was to show how we are all unique and individual.
Wednesday 19th	Christmas Parties	
Thursday 20th	Carol Service at St Andrew's Church	In total we raised £74 for our Playground Pals fund! Playground Pals are a group of Year 5 students who lead games and activities at lunchtimes.
Friday 21st	2:00pm School Closes for the Christmas Holidays	
January 2019		
Tuesday 8th	School Re-opens	

Is your child due to start school in September 2019?

If you have a child born between September 1st 2014 and 31st August 2015 then he or she will be due to start school in September 2019. Information letters have been issued from Bury Council but if you have not received your child's letter or would like further information then please contact the **Admissions Team on 0161 253 6474.**

Please remember that:

- A place at a nursery does not guarantee a place at the school;
- You need to apply even if you have an older child at the school; and
- You must apply on time (closing date **15/01/2019**).

We are an ECO-School.

THANK YOU to all those parents who have signed up for an e- newsletter.

Please remember to recycle this newsletter when you have finished with it.

Thank You.

