

Shawlands Primary School Newsletter

Friday 14th December 2018



It's been great seeing so many parents, carers and relatives in school this week enjoying the EYFS nativity and the music concert. Everyone who came to watch left with big smiles on their faces saying how much they had enjoyed them. The children in KS1 and KS2 had fun at the panto this week (oh not they didn't?!) EYFS have their panto treat this afternoon and I'm sure they will enjoy that too!

We've had some lovely feedback from Ashby Court Residential home after a group of Y5 and Y6 children visited them on Wednesday to sing carols, drop off a hamper and chat with the residents. This was inspired by a recent visit to school from Age UK who spoke about the loneliness which can face older people at Christmas. Both the residents and the children got so much from it, I hope it's a link that will continue.

You may have noticed that we've started to close the gates to the car park some mornings and afternoons. This is to prevent the car park being used to drop off or pick up pupils. Please can I ask that you do not use the staff car park, especially after clubs, as there are often children walking through it and we had a very near miss this week.

The closing date for the School Meals Supervisory Assistant vacancy is on Monday. If you know anyone who is interested please ask them to apply online at <https://barnsley.engageats.co.uk>

It's been fantastic to see everyone in their Christmas jumpers and I'm sure we will all enjoy eating Christmas Dinner in the hall together today. The Christmas festivities are continuing next week with the KS1 Christmas show, which I'm sure will be amazing and we also have the parties to look forward to as well. Letters have been sent home with all the details about the parties but spare copies are available from the office if you need one.

Last but not least we have the EYFS and KS1 carol

Attendance and Lates

w/c 3rd December 2018:

Turtles am:	Attendance: 94.9%	Lates: 0
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Possums:	Attendance: 92%	Lates: 2
Lions:	Attendance: 86%	Lates: 5
Aliens:	Attendance: 96.7%	Lates: 2
Bees:	Attendance: 90.5%	Lates: 2
Heroes:	Attendance: 99.3%	Lates: 0
Foxes:	Attendance: 95.2%	Lates: 4
Raptors:	Attendance: 90.4%	Lates: 1
Explorers:	Attendance: 95.2%	Lates: 1
Astronauts:	Attendance: 97.4%	Lates: 2
Footballers:	Attendance: 98.3%	Lates: 5
Unicorns:	Attendance: 97.7%	Lates: 1
School Total	Attendance: 94.8%	Lates: 23

singing in the hall at 1.30pm next Friday and then the KS2 carol service at St Edward's church at 2.15pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and you are able to take your children home afterwards if you would like to.

Finally, I'd like to say a big thank you to all our staff, they have been working even harder than usual over the last few weeks to ensure all the shows, visits, concerts, parties etc., run smoothly for the children and parents to enjoy. I'd also like to say a big thank you to the fundraising team, who always give up so much of their own time and who are running the Christmas raffle this year.