



**18<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

### **WELL DONE**

Congratulations to: Ella L (P7B) – awarded a distinction in her Grade 1 Cello exam; and Rachel B (P7B) – awarded a medal from North Belfast Harriers for running in many races throughout the year. Well done!

### **FOOTBALL TEAM NEWS**

Well done to our football team who won their match in the under 11 EDCO CUP last week against Campbell College - Cavehill 5: Campbell College 3; and drew 1:1 against Carr's Glen in a very tough match before losing in a penalty shoot-out at the end. Great effort!

### **NATIVITY AND CAROL SERVICE**

Thank you to all the children, teachers, assistants and parents who helped in any way to ensure that our nativities Carol Service went so well. We have such talented children and adults in Cavehill and it is wonderful to be able to enjoy these special occasions together. Thank you everyone.

### **SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

Please note that school will finish at **12noon (SHARP!) on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**. Please take care in the car park as it will be very busy, perhaps decide to park outside the gates and walk in to ensure a speedier departure rather than getting caught in the school grounds. There will be no lunches on this date and children may wear their ordinary clothes if they wish. School will re-open on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019**. Breakfast Club will operate as normal on both dates.

### **OPEN MORNING 2019**

Due to changes to the application process for our September 2019 intake, we intend to hold our Open Morning on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January from 9.15-10.30am**.

### **PTA CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISERS**

Thank you to our PTA and many volunteers for all that you have done to help us fundraise over the Christmas period. We appreciate your help and support and want to say thank you to everyone who has supported these initiatives in any way. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated team at Cavehill PS and the funds raised will go to help us provide additional resources for our pupils.

### **CHRISTMAS COMPETITION WINNERS!!!**

Thanks to all who entered our colouring competitions the winners are Max (P1F) and Serena (P7T). The fireside quiz winner is Mitchell (P3P/H). Prizes will be distributed by the end of the week.

The PTA would like to take the opportunity to thank each and every one of you, parents and staff alike, who took the time to support us this term whether it be attending meetings or events, entering competitions, buying raffle tickets or volunteering. Hope you all have a lovely Christmas!

### **APPLICATION FOR P1 SEPTEMBER 2019 PLACES**

This year there is a change in the way the Education Authority will be managing applications. Parents need to complete an online application between 10am on 2<sup>nd</sup> January until midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019. For more information, please visit the Education Authority website: [www.eani.org.uk](http://www.eani.org.uk) and the Cavehill Primary website: [www.cavehillps.co.uk](http://www.cavehillps.co.uk)

Parents still need to submit verifying documents (e.g. birth certificate, proof of address etc.) to their first preference school as normal.

### **ABSENCE NOTES**

It is essential that school is informed about any absences that children have in order that we keep our records up to date and record accurate reasons for any absence from school. This information is also viewed by the Educational Welfare Officer (EWO) during her regular visits to school. Please ensure that you inform school promptly about any absence as the computer system up-dates regularly and the EWO has direct remote access to this information. Blank copies of these slips have been attached for anyone who has still to inform us about any unexplained absence.

### **DINNER MENU CHANGES**

Please note the following changes to the dinner menu this week:

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Fish fingers, mashed potatoes and beans with biscuit for dessert

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Chicken nuggets, chips and beans with yoghurt for dessert.

**Week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> January**, School Meals will be following week 4 of the menu.

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January** – chicken will be served instead of turkey.

### **AND FINALLY...**

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a wonderful 2019. We really appreciate your support and help as we partner together to provide the best possible opportunities for our children.