



Carrickfergus Model Primary School Principal's Newsletter: End of Term 1 2018



Dear Parents / Carers

School has been buzzing with activity over the last few weeks. We hope you have enjoyed our Primary 1 – Primary 4 Christmas performances. The children did a fantastic job and enjoyed the experience of performing for their mums and dads and grandparents. I know Mr Catterson is already talent spotting for any future school productions!

Our choir and orchestra have been extremely busy and I am always impressed by their commitment and dedication. Thank you to those parents for encouraging the children in their musical endeavours.

Our Carol Service was also a great success and I am delighted that every single child got an opportunity to play their part. My thanks go to the staff in Key Stage Two for making sure this was possible and the extra hours they have given at break and lunch times to coach the boys and girls.

Our PTA worked extremely hard to put on a Christmas Fair this year. The children seemed to enjoy the various activities and once again the teaching and non-teaching staff did a fabulous job. Unfortunately, it is becoming increasingly difficult to run these large events in school as not enough parents are volunteering to help. Perhaps this is just the nature of family life...we are all so busy! Going forward however, the PTA are going to need more willing helpers, both prior, during and after events so that our school community can continue to come together for fun events.

When the new term arrives we will be re-engaging the children after all the Christmas fun and continuing with the more normal business of school. Our Parent Interviews for Primary 7 will take place at the beginning of February and in March for pupils in Primary 1 – Primary 6. If you have any concerns about your child between now and Parent Interviews please contact the class teacher. Please don't allow a concern to go unresolved as most things in school can be sorted out quite quickly if we work together.

We look forward to welcoming our boys and girls safely back to school on **Thursday 3rd January**. May I thank you for all your support this term and wish you a very happy Christmas with your family. God bless!

Best wishes to you and your family at this Christmas time,

J. Miller

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