



Horfield CEVC Primary School

Bishop Manor Road, Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol, BS10 5BD



Newsletter No 15 Wednesday 19th December 2018

Everyone at Horfield School would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families a very warm and happy Christmas holiday. We look forward to seeing the children all refreshed and eager to learn again in 2018.

A reminder that the children return to school on **Tuesday 8th January 2018 (8:45 am)**. The staff will be returning a day earlier for a day of training and workshops with colleagues from other North Bristol schools.

Christmas Carol Service

This year's Christmas Carol Service is **TONIGHT** at 7pm at Horfield Parish Church. Many thanks to Mr Robertson and Mrs Cunningham for organising this special occasion.

Year 1 Singing at the Spiegelent



Year 1 had a wonderful festive singing trip to the Spiegelent last Thursday, organised by Bristol Plays Music. They sang a range of songs including Christmas Chopsticks, Grab a Plastic Reindeer and Hohoho! Jacob and Alice loved their starring roles in putting the decorations on the tree.



Swimming

Swimming starts for Year 6 and Year 3 children on Friday 11th January. We would greatly appreciate offers of help to walk with the children to and from the leisure centre on Friday afternoons.

Holiday Homework Challenges

The children are coming home today with some exciting homework challenges that we hope the children will complete during the Christmas holidays. One is to write a poem on the theme of our amazing seas/the problem of plastic. The most effective poem will then be set to music by Mrs Alsop and we will record it as a school! (Deadline for this is 11th January 2019).

Other holiday challenges related to reading are outlined on the handout sent home (and attached) today.

Choir Singing at Horfield Lodge

Last week, Mrs Taylor, Mrs Steel and Mrs Alsop took Year 3 Choir to sing to the residents of Horfield Lodge. Their wonderful singing brought a smile to everyone's faces! Well done Year 3.

Christmas Jumper Day

Lots of wonderful Christmas jumpers last week. We raised over £233.37 for the Save the Children charity. If you enjoyed the day and forgot to donate it's not too late!

Clubs for 2019

Please see attached for the start dates for most of our clubs next term.

Goodbye to Mrs North

Mrs North, our Receptionist, will not be returning in the New Year and we know you will join us in sending her best wishes for all her new ventures. We will be posting an advertisement for this role onto Eteach shortly. In the meantime Mrs Andrea Bryant will be covering this role for us – as she has so professionally done since September. We also need to thank Mrs Karen White for 'putting on yet another hat' here at Horfield and helping in the office too!

Choir at Southmead Hospital

The choir brought festive cheer to Southmead Hospital on Tuesday afternoon by singing Christmas songs in the Atrium. Many audience members commented on their perfect behaviour and lovely harmonies.

Coffee Morning for our Volunteer Helpers

Yesterday, it was great to see so many of our fantastic helpers/volunteers in school for the Christmas Musical Coffee Morning. We are so grateful for everything you do.

Special Achievement

Congratulations to Harvey B, Class 12 who achieved 'Young Swimmer of the Year' from Bristol North Swimming Club. What an amazing achievement!

Lost Property

Please come and check lost property. There are lots of unnamed coats and water bottles. The boxes are overflowing and lots of the items will need to go to Charity in the New Year.

Year 6 Students of the Week are Sophia, Class 13, for her excellent effort and progress in Maths and Alisha, Class 14, for her outstanding contribution to Maths lessons.

We Are The Same Inside - Celebrate your NHS this Christmas and download 'We are the Same Inside' by the Melody Makers Choir.

SHINE Breakfast Club

All bookings for Breakfast Club for the remainder of this term need to be made online at

<https://www.myshine.co.uk/activity/breakfast-club-term-2-2018>. For Term 3, 2019:

<https://www.myshine.co.uk/activity/breakfast-club-term-3-2018>

Mr Harvey, Deputy Head

Diary Dates	
December	
Weds 19th	Carol Service, Horfield Parish 7pm
Thurs 20th	Y5 Christmas Party pm
Fri 21st	End of Term 2 3.15pm
January 2019	
Mon 7th	INSET Day
Tues 8th	Start of T3 for the children 8.45am
Fri 11th	Swimming Years 3 & 6
March 2019	
Sat 16th	Choir Singing at UKLA Conference

Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns about a child please talk to our school safeguarding team (Mrs Taylor, Mrs Harfoush and Miss Kielczewski).

Anyone can also contact Bristol's First Response Team on 0117 9036444 or visit

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/social-care-health/reporting-concerns-about-a-child-first-response>



THANK YOU AND MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Since September you have supported our events like the BBQ, The Christmas Fair, and The Discos.

Through both your time and contributions you have helped to raise £5000.

Dates for the Diary

15th Jan School Association Meeting (7.30pm The Beehive)

If you haven't already, please join our **Facebook page: Horfield C of E School Association** to keep up to date with all the events planned.

Community News

Christingle Services and more at Horfield Parish Church. All children have brought home a leaflet of the service dates.

SHINE Term 3

SHINE are delighted to be launching a new club here at Horfield CEVC – **Theatre Dance Club** for Years 3 to 6, to be held every Friday after school in the Hall. Coach Lorna will be using choreography for the children to learn dances to their favourite show tunes.

UK Air Ambulance Services

Please help by recycling your used postage stamps! Just cut or carefully tear stamped corners from any envelope or parcel. Once you have a large bundle, bag them and send them to Air Ambulance Stamp Appeal, 59 Mitre Copse, Bishopstoke, Near Eastleigh, Hants, SO50 8QE.

Christmas Plants!

Miss Green's sister Megan (who was at the School Fair) still has lots of Christmas plants for sale, ranging from £1-£10. If you are looking for a present come and see Miss Green or check Meg's Instagram @greensplantsandprints.