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# **Christmas Jumper Day**

To celebrate the end of term we would like to invite all children to come to school wearing a Christmas jumper (normal school uniform underneath) on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December. This is just for fun so no money is required.

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

This will be the last newsletter before we break up for Christmas on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December. On behalf of the whole staff team I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a peaceful but fun filled break....I think that we have all earnt it!

My first term as Acting Principal has flown by and I have enjoyed every moment. There have been some challenges along the way but also a huge amount of pleasure and pride as I watch the amazing staff team support our children to learn and develop each and every day.

I cannot thank you all enough for the support that you have given both myself, and the Senior Leadership Team (Mrs Sykes, Miss Airdrie and Mr Rossiter) since September. We all really appreciate it and we feel that the partnership between school and home continues to evolve and become even stronger.

We look forward to seeing you all back at school on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

Best wishes Mrs Sarah Wilson – Acting Principal and SENCO

#### Governor Awards - Autumn Term 2016-2017

This year class teachers will be nominating two children each term to receive an award from the Governors. One child will have made excellent acadmic progress and the other child will have been an outstanding role model. The children will be receiving a group reward....this term it will be lunch at Arbuckles!

Congratulations and Well Done to the following...

	Academic	Role Model	
	Progress		
Edinburgh	Fletcher	Shae	
London	Theo	Freddie	
Leeds	Isla	Bella	
Cambridge	Charlie	Evelyn	
Bristol	Miah	Grace	
Norwich	Calleigh	Eli	
Warwick	Lily	Rachamin	
Carmarthen	Tia	Ben	
Lancaster	Kamil	Rianna	
Keele	Louise	Archie	
Oxford	Rhianna	Zea	
Exeter	Sammi	Auroa	
Durham	Casey	Tommy	
York	Kiera	Callum	
Glasgow	George D	Nickalaus	

As you will be aware Ofsted inspectors visited us in school on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December. At present we are unable to share the outcome of their visit but we will forward a copy of the report to you when it is published in the new year.

The inspectors were extremely impressed with the behaviour of the children and their attitudes towards learning. The children talked positively about their time in school and the experiences that they are having.

Thank you to those of you who took the time to complete the online survey which Ofsted used as part of their inspection of the school.



#### **Whole School Attendance Percentage**

## Week Ending:21st November 2016

London	93%	Carmarthen	92.5%
Edinburgh	87.93%	Lancaster	97.67%
Cambridge	93.7%	Keele	95.33%
Leeds	88.8%	Exeter	98.5%
Norwich	96.52%	Oxford	92%
Bristol	93.1%	Durham	92.73%
Warwick	96.82%	York	100%
Glasgow	99.09%		

#### **Well Done To York Class**

## Week Endng: 28th November 2016

London	88.67%	Carmarthen	95%
Edinburgh	90.69%	Lancaster	97.33%
Cambridge	100.%	Keele	99.33%
Leeds	95.6%	Exeter	93%
Norwich	99.13%	Oxford	90%
Bristol	93.45%	Durham	97.73%
Warwick	99.55%	York	98.33%
Glasgow	97.27%		

#### **Well Done To Cambridge Class**

### **Story Café Dates – Autumn Term**

Nursery 12<sup>th</sup> December Stay and play 11.15 & 2.15 We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible ©

## FRIENDS CHRISTMAS FAIR 2016

A massive thank you to you all for your support at the Christmas Fair. We have raised an amazing £778.05 which is a little less than stated on Facebook due to cost being deducted.



#### **Nelson Singers**

A huge thank you and well done to Mrs Jack and the Nelson Singers who have been busy singing in and around Downham Market this half term. This included representing the school in style at the Christmas lights switch on and most recently singing to residents at The Grange.

We have received numerous positive comments from members of the public about the performances, the children's presentation and good manners.....you are all a credit to the school and we are very proud of you.

Listen out for the Nelson Singers on KLFM's 'Sleeps 'til Santa' with 3 days to go!



# **Class Assemblies For The**

### <u>Year</u>

Please come and join us for your child's class assembly. These will start at 2.30pm in the main hall. Please sign in at the main office.

25<sup>th</sup> January – Keele Class

8<sup>th</sup> February – Norwich Class

1<sup>st</sup> March – Carmarthen Class

15<sup>th</sup> March – Cambridge Class

29<sup>th</sup> March - Bristol Class

3<sup>rd</sup> May – Warwick Class

17<sup>th</sup> May – Leeds Class

7<sup>th</sup> June - London Class

21<sup>st</sup> June – Edinburgh Class

5<sup>th</sup> July – Belfast Class (Nursery)

LAST CALL FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER 2016

THE LAST DAY TO HAND IN YOUR DINNER

**REQUEST IS MONDAY!!!!!** 

Thanks from the Kitchen Staff



Key Stage 2 Carol Concert will now begin at 2pm on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December



Year 3/4 Christmas Party Thursday 15th December

Party clothes to be brought in named bag, to be worn PM only. Feel free to bring in an extra snack to have at the party.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Year 3/4 Team



**Nelson Singers** 

Key Stage 2 Having a good old Christmas sing song with the residents at Grange Resting home.