



# Monthly News Bulletin

December 2017



We are quickly approaching the end of term and Christmas break and we have some memorable activities planned to celebrate the festive season. A huge thank you to all of you who joined us for parents evening; it was great to meet you and share your child's progress. There have been a number of changes in school, so we look forward to returning in January to a settled Spring term with all children in their new classes ready to learn. We had a great start to Christmas on Friday with the Christmas light count down and our trees look very festive in the entrance. We look forward to seeing you all for the Christmas performances over the next two weeks. Please see below for the dates of our festive celebrations.

## Attendance

Please note, there has been a significant change to guidelines on attendance from the LA and **any** holidays forms submitted from now on will warrant a fine. Thank you to all parents for your continued support. As sickness/winter bugs/colds are starting to take hold can you ensure all absences are reported as failure to do so could result in a fixed term penalty notice. If you need to administer medicine to your child, we ask that you make arrangements with the school office to come and do this in person so that staff can focus on teaching and learning.

## Winter clothing

Please make sure your child is dressed in an appropriate winter uniform. Some children are still in summer dresses or have bare legs and no jumpers. We can support as and where needed if you are struggling to do so; please speak to Miss Farnell at the school entrance.

## Diary dates

Date:	Event:	Who is involved:
12 <sup>th</sup> December 10am & 2pm	Nativity Performance	KS1
14 <sup>th</sup> December 2pm and 5pm	Wizard of Oz performance	KS2
15 <sup>th</sup> December 10am	Wizard of Oz performance	KS2
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Progress reports out to parents	Y6
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper day for Save the Children £1 donation	Whole school
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Lower KS2 party in the afternoon. Children to come dressed in party wear.	Year 3 and Year 4
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Pantomime at Billingham Forum	Reception to Y6
21 <sup>st</sup> December	Nursery/Reception party all am and KS1 party pm	Nur/Rec/Y1/Y2
22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Upper KS2 party pm. Children to come dressed in party wear.	Y5/6

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and we hope that you have a super break. School returns after the Christmas Holidays on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018.