



Newsletter

13th December 2024

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Autumn Term

Headteacher's notes...

Celebrations for Christmas have continued this week. Children in Year 1 put on a real show as they performed 'Baarmy Bethlehem' and I know from comments we have received how much everyone enjoyed it. We were also treated to some wonderful instrumental performances from children across the school on Wednesday evening and we certainly have many talented musicians.



Christingles are often made at Christmas time and we had a number of volunteers from St. Mary Magdalene Church in school on Wednesday to help make them with children in Year 2. Next week these children are performing some festive poems and songs and we have our Carol Services as well which are always enjoyable.

Year 1 took part in a number of activities today as part of their topic on 'The Great Fire of London' and we are grateful for all the volunteers who helped. We were able to get outside in the afternoon and re-enact the fire by burning some houses!

Next week is the last week of term and we finish on Friday 20th December with a Christmas non-uniform day.

Staffing update

We have a number of staffing changes taking place, starting next week, when we welcome back Mrs Burling to teach in 5 Willow alongside Mrs Clipsham.

Next term Mrs Thompson will teach in 1 Maple with Mrs McIntyre whilst Mrs Evans, who has previously taught at the school, will start as one of our Higher Level Teaching Assistants to work in Reception and KS1.

Miss Ross begins her maternity leave at the start of next term and I will write to the parents of children in 1 Beech with more information next week.

I am delighted to share the news that Mrs Knight had a baby boy at the end of November. We send congratulations to her and her family.

Events

The PTA will be selling refreshments before the Y2 performances next Tuesday and there will be a collection at the end. Tickets are not issued, as we will have a register for each performance, but please note that admission for each performance will be allowed only to those who have booked a ticket online. We would suggest that you arrive in good time for the performances, as it will take some time to check in all of our audience.

We have our Annual Carol Services at St Mary Magdalene Parish Church on Wednesday 18th December.

- KS1 9.45am (ready to leave school at 9.15am)
- KS2 1.45pm (ready to leave school at 1.30pm)



We still need a few more volunteers to help, as without this we may be unable to go. If you feel you are able to help walk the children please let your child's teacher know. Numbers will be limited due to space. We recognise that for some children there may be specific reasons why they should not attend the Carol Services. If this is the case, please email the school office. We will decide on the day if the weather looks changeable.

Next week Y4 and Y6 members of the School Choir are singing at the Montague Care Home. They will need to wear appropriate clothing for walking including a coat and sensible shoes.

On Thursday, we are hoping that all of KS2 will be able to get together to sing some Christmas songs so the children might like to bring in some festive accessories to wear, eg, hats and headbands.

Absence

Over the next few months, we are having to change our information system in school and more details will be provided next term. As part of this we will have limited access to some emails next Tuesday, 17th December, so please use the Weduc app or pupilabsence@brampton.cambs.sch.uk to report any absences.

PTA News

Two final reminders as we move into the last week before Christmas:

1. Next Friday (20th Dec) is Non-Uniform Day so look forward to seeing everyone festively dressed up. Donation pots will be available on the day or you can pay in advance on Sumup at <https://brampton-pta.sumupstore.com/product/non-uniform-day-1x-child>
2. Next week is the Year 2 Carol concert and the PTA will be selling refreshments and biscuits at both the morning and afternoon performance - We can take cash or card so look forward to seeing you all there.

What's On Next Week:

Monday 16th December

Tuesday 17th December

Year 2 Performance 9.30am and 2.15pm

Y4/Y6 Choir singing at Montague Care Home

Y5/Y6 NFL Club 3.30 – 4.15pm

Wednesday 18th December

Carol Services (see details)

Thursday 19th December

Choir 8.20am

Reception Carol Service (children only)

Y6 Football club 3.30 – 4.15pm

Friday 20th December

Last day of term

Please look out for the following leaflet that has been sent home today.

