



Graveley Primary School Newsletter No. 6 Autumn II 2018

Dear Parents,

You may have seen photographs on our Facebook page this week of our special assembly for Miss Evans who is getting married this Saturday. We wish her and her husband warm congratulations and a lifetime of love and happiness. On Monday we will welcome back Mrs Page to Class 2!

It was lovely to see so many people at St Mary's Church on Wednesday for the Class 2 Nativity. It was a real treat to see the children showing off their acting and singing skills, whilst everyone looked on. We are selling a collection of photographs and a backing track of the children's singing on a USB stick at a cost of £3.00 for both the Class 1 and Class 2 performances. If you do wish to purchase any, please return the money to the school office by Monday 17th December to allow us time to download the file.

Thank you for all of your donations to the Reverse Advent Calendar appeal that took place during November. People for People and the Food Shed have been completely overwhelmed by the generosity of the local schools and community groups within Stevenage and surrounding villages who have so kindly donated to this great cause.

Well done to Louis in Class 4 and Oliver G in Class 1 who were the lucky winners in our film night raffle. We raised just over £100, which will go towards our fundraising efforts this year.

I also need to say a big well done to Darcy and Freddie who both achieved their Blue Peter Sporting badge by taking part in activities including bouldering!

Remember next Tuesday we have our Christmas lunch day. Children may wear non-uniform with their festive jumper. Please join us at 2:00pm that day for mince pies and to listen to the Christmas performance from the whole school. On Thursday it will be our party lunch – if you have yet to order a party lunch for your child, please let the school office know ASAP. Children will be taking part in Christmas activities during the day.

Finally, we are looking to build up a list of local tradespeople and companies we can call upon for various jobs that may come up around the school. Obviously we would need to see relevant insurance certificates and qualifications. If you do know of any local companies that we could call upon when needed, please contact Nancy or Heather in the office.

Enjoy your weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Nicky Hand (Head teacher)


NOTICES AND REMINDERS

There will be **NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS** next week.

EARLY FINISH - we will be breaking up for the **Christmas Holidays** on **Friday 21st December at 1:15pm**.

There will be a special party lunch menu for our Christmas Party Day on **Thursday 20th December**. The lunch menu will include: pigs in blankets, cheese and tomato pizza fingers, cheese or ham sandwiches, crisps, festive cookies or chocolate krispie cake. The lunch is free for children in the Infants. Parents of Junior children - if you have not already paid for a school lunch for this day, the cost is £2.45. If you would like your child to have a party lunch, please complete and return the reply slip and return to the school office as soon as possible. Please let the school office know if you would like another copy of the letter.

KEY DATES FOR AUTUMN II TERM 2018

Tuesday 18 th December	Christmas Jumper and Christmas lunch Day. 2:00pm – School Christmas Performance – all welcome!	
Thursday 20 th December	Christmas Party Day and Christmas Party Lunch Day.	
Friday 21 st December	1:15pm – Break up for Christmas holidays.	
Christmas Holidays	Monday 24th December – Monday 7th January 2019 (inclusive).	
Tuesday 8 th January 2019	Children return to school.	
Thursday 10 th January	1:30pm – Information session for prospective Reception 2019 parents.	

Please note - The above dates may change and additional events may be added during the course of the term. Recently added events shown in *italics*.