



### MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents,

A big thank-you for all your donations in readiness for our Christmas fete next week (Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November in the afternoon). You will have noticed that this week plastic cups have gone out, as well as a new initiative of a paper plate to fill with cakes. We are still looking for volunteers to help run stalls, set up on the day or to tidy up after. If you can assist in any way, please either contact the school office or put a message onto the FOG Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1782218655348034/> We look forward to seeing you all then!

We have now a confirmed time of 2:00pm for the Class 2 Nativity performance to parents at the church on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

And finally, we raised £82.85 for being spotty for Children in Need - well done to all!

Kind regards,

*Nicky Hand*

### DIARY DATES FOR AUTUMN 2017

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> November Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	8:50am - Christmas Fete working party meeting at school. PM - FOG Christmas Fete.
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	AM - Class 2 Christmas Journey at St Nicholas Church. AM - whole school seeing <i>Peter Pan</i> pantomime at The Barclay School. 1:00pm - FOG Christmas Shop.
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December  Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December  Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Free Reading Week. <b>No Afterschool clubs this week.</b> 1:30pm - Class 2 Church Service to the school (pupils only). 2:00pm - Class 2 Church Service to parents. 3:30 pm- 5:00pm: <i>Christmas Film Night</i> . School Christmas lunch. PM - Nativity to parents.
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	PM - Christmas Carol Service. 1:15pm - Break up for Christmas holidays.
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> December (inclusive) - Christmas Holidays		

**Please note** - more events may be added as the term progresses. We try hard to give as much notice as possible for events but sometimes this is beyond our control. **New events** are shown in *italics*.

### CELEBRATION BOOK



**WELL DONE** to the following children for their fantastic **English** learning this week:

**Class 1: Helen**      **Class 2: Ruby C**  
**Class 3: Jane**      **Class 4: Robbie**

The following children received the **Headteacher's Award** for demonstrating this week's Value (**Perseverance**):

**Class 1: Kerian**      **Class 2: Benjamin**  
**Class 3: Eleanor**      **Class 4: Owen**

### NOTICES & REMINDERS

**Easy School Christmas Cards orders:** please return your Christmas card and gift orders to school by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017 to ensure your order is ready before we break up for Christmas.

**Helpers required for the FOG Christmas Fete!** We would be most grateful for help during the **Christmas Fete on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November (PM)**. This involves setting up, tidying up and running the stalls. There will be a **Christmas fete working party meeting** on **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November** in school at **8:50am**. We look forward to seeing you then!



**There will be a Christmas Film Night (includes drink and snack) at school on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 3:30pm - 5:00pm.** We will confirm what the film is nearer the time. If you would like your child to participate, please bring in £3.00 in a named envelope by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December.



**Parent View Questionnaire:** the school is currently in the Ofsted inspection window - in preparation for this we would be very grateful if you could complete a Parent View questionnaire online by copying and pasting the following link:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views> All responses will be reviewed by Ofsted as part of their inspection process. Questionnaires should be completed by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017. We look forward to receiving your feedback.

**Hertfordshire County Council** is running a consultation on the proposed admissions arrangements for the school year 2019/20 and is seeking responses from parents/carers, schools and community groups. The proposed changes are:

- To amend the wording and definition of 'Rule 5 - Nearest School' to include all schools and academies (regardless of status) unless that school or academy prioritises applications and allocates places on the basis of faith.
- To include references to the Shared Anti-Fraud Service in the definitions section in cases of fraudulent address verification.

The consultation period runs until 5<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Please visit: [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions2019](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions2019) for more information and to respond online.