

Graveley Primary School NEWSLETTER

Autumn II Newsletter No. 7 2017



MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents

I appreciate your understanding due to the closure of the school on Monday (I hope that is the last of the snow this winter) and the last minute re-arrangements for the Class 2 Christmas performance. The children were fantastic in adapting to the change of venue and amazed me with their singing and acting abilities. I am very much looking forward to seeing Class 1 perform this afternoon and the whole school Carol Concert on Monday. Please join us for a mince pie while you watch the performance.

I cannot believe that we have reached the end of my first term here and it has been an extremely busy one. I have lots of thanks to give - to the governors, staff, children and to you all for making me feel so welcome and being so supportive.

I wish you all a wonderful Christmas and will see you in the New Year.

Kind regards,

Mrs Nicky Hand

DIARY DATES FOR AUTUMN 2017

Monday 18 th December	Monday 18 th December	No Afterschool clubs this week. <i>Children's Christmas Lunch Party.</i> 2:15 - Christmas Carol Service in the school hall - all welcome!
	Tuesday 19 th December	1:15 - Break up for Christmas holidays.
Thursday 20th December - Friday 29th December (inclusive) - Christmas Holidays		



Please note - we break up for the Christmas holidays on Tuesday 19th December at 1:15pm. Children return to school on Thursday 4th January 2018.

An updated Events Diary with key dates for Spring I 2018 will be sent out next week.

We need to raise awareness that a child at our school has a severe nut allergy (Anaphylaxis). Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction at the extreme end of the allergic spectrum. The whole body is affected by the allergen, often within minutes of exposure, but sometimes hours later. The causes of allergic reaction can include food such as nuts, seafood, eggs, wheat, insect stings and drugs. To minimise the risk of anaphylaxis occurring, we have taken precautions and are working towards being nut safe and allergy aware. The success of this requires the co-operation of all parents, pupils and school staff.

We therefore cannot allow children to bring in any nut based products to school or in their packed lunches. This includes chocolates, cakes and chocolate spread that may have nuts listed on the ingredients.

We appreciate that lots of parents like to celebrate their children's birthdays and if you would like to bring food in for this occasion please do but we ask that you make sure any treats are nut free.

Thank you for your co-operation in ensuring that Graveley School is a safe environment for all of our pupils. If you would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

Kind regards,

Mrs Nicky Hand

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



On **Monday 18th December**, we will be having a **Christmas Party** for all the children. There will be a buffet lunch and lots of party games.



We will be having our annual **Christmas Carol Service** in the school hall on **Monday 18th December at 2:15pm** - all welcome. In addition to the festive singing, there will also be mince pies for everyone!



A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who supported our Christmas Fete. You have helped us raise an impressive £695.95 which will go towards the purchase of new laptops for the school. As always, a special thanks to FOG for all their hard work.

There will now be **NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS**. Afterschool clubs start again week commencing 8th January 2018 for 4 weeks.

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