

Ibstone CE School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

Congratulations and thank you to the PTA for such an amazing Christmas Fayre, I have been reliably informed that it raised a massive £1500 for the school! A special thank you to Nathan for sourcing and setting up the super lights around the school, they really added to the Christmas feel! Also to City Electrical and Wyre Electrics for supplying the lights and bulbs. Although it was a little chilly on the front playground, it was great to have some craft stalls this year, however, we might need to think about heaters next year! Father Christmas enjoyed arriving in style on his sleigh and commented on the home comforts in the grotto!



Thank you to everyone who donated prizes for the raffle including: in-toto Kitchens, Rebellion Brewery, all the stall holders and many generous gifts from parents.

There was a very jolly atmosphere about the place!



This week the children have enjoyed hearing the story of 'The Elves and the Shoemaker'. On Monday they made their decorations for the West Wycombe Christmas Tree Competition. This is the first time we have been asked to enter a tree and as the theme was 'Children's Books' this year we thought it would be lovely way of sharing the children's work. If you have a moment to pop down to St Paul's in West Wycombe, you will be able to vote for our school tree.

In mathematics, Ladybirds have been thinking about pattern and I was lucky enough to see some super scarves for their snowmen. Woodland Class have been looking for missing numbers and finding patterns in number sequences.

We have also been busy rushing up and down to the church....



I am sure you will all join me in congratulating all the children for their amazing performance of 'Wriggly Nativity' last night. We are all SO proud of the children and cannot wait for this afternoon's performance. One child said this morning 'It's going to be even better today!' I look forward to seeing you at the church at 2pm.



As we head towards the end of term we have a few exciting events still to come, on Monday 19th December we have the annual 'Wear your Christmas Jumper' day to raise money for Save the Children. Please send you child in with a donation on the day. This is also the same day as the Kites Christmas Jumper Disco. If you would like to book your child in for the disco, please send £4.50 into the office in a named envelope by Friday 16th December.

On Tuesday 20th December, we have a special visitor in school. I wonder if he will be bringing the reindeer this time? The children will then be enjoying their Christmas lunch and at 2pm you are all invited to meet us at St Nicholas Church for an end of term service.

It would be lovely to see some of you at the Carol Service on Sunday 11th at 4.30pm.

Louise Long
Headteacher

Home Learning

Big Talk

If an alien landed on earth, how would you explain the Christmas Story?

Maths Moments

EYFS – Pattern – Can you find patterns in the environment? Are there any patterns on the Christmas decorations?

KS1 – Numbers – Look at the door numbers in your road, what pattern can you spot? Are they odd or even? Can you make your own number patterns and see if someone in your family can spot the pattern?

Website of the Week

<http://www.noradsanta.org/>

Tracking Santa... never too early! On this website you can explore the North Pole.

Headteacher Awards



Diary Dates

New dates will be shown in bold.

Date	Occasion	Who?
December 2016		
Sunday 11 th	Christmas Service – St Nicholas Church - 4.30pm	Everyone
Friday 16 th	Norden Farm Trip – Christmas Play	All children
Friday 16 th	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	EYFS families
Monday 19th	Kites Christmas Jumper Christmas Disco – 3.05pm – 4.30pm	All children
Tuesday 20 th	Christmas Lunch	All children
Tuesday 20 th	Christmas Church Service – St Nicholas Church – 2pm	Everyone
Tuesday 20 th	End of Term	Everyone
January 2016		
Wednesday 4th	Inset Day	Staff only
Thursday 5th	Start of Term - 8.50am	Everyone
Wednesday 11th	Governors Resources Committee	Governors
Sunday 15th	Christingle Service - 3pm – St Nicholas Church	Everyone
Wednesday 18th	Governors Meeting	All Governors