### **Ibstone CE School Newsletter**

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Dear Families,

It was wonderful to see you all at the Nativity performances last week, thank you for the lovely feedback. The children were all brilliant and clearly enjoyed performing. Thank you to all the staff who put in so much time and effort to organise and prepare the children and the costumes.

This week the Ladybirds have been using shapes outside to make Santa's sleigh, they worked together as a team and have been developing their communication skills. They have also been learning about 'Diamond Power' ready for their return in January. More information on this in the New Year.

Woodland Class have been writing 'Elf Adventures', acrostic poems and have been learning about 2D & 3D shapes and their properties.

This morning we all enjoyed our trip to Norden Farm to see the 'Elves and the Shoemaker', the coach driver and stewards at the theatre commented on how well behaved and polite the children were, well done everyone!

I am pleased to inform you that our 'Elves and the Shoemaker' entry in the West Wycombe Christmas Tree competition was presented with third place! An excellent result! Our certificate and prize will be shared on Monday.

As you will be aware, the children enjoyed their Futsal sessions last term. I am pleased to inform you that we will be offering Futsal as an after school club on Fridays from January. Please send your Kites booking forms in as soon as possible.

It is Christmas Jumper day on Monday, please send you child in with a donation for 'Save the Children' in return for wearing their own clothes and a Christmas jumper. It is also the Kites Christmas Disco on Monday, please send in £4.50 on Monday if you would like your child to attend. The disco finishes at 4.30pm.

As this will be the last newsletter of the term, I would like to thank you all for your continued support of the school and for really helping me settle into my role as Headteacher. It has been a very busy but productive first term and I am already looking forward to the exciting things we have planned for next year.

On behalf of all the staff and governors, may I wish you all a very merry, healthy and enjoyable Christmas and very Happy New Year!

Louise Long Headteacher

## **Home Learning**

#### Big Talk

If you could design a pair of shoes, what type of shoes would they be?

#### **Maths Moments**

EYFS – Counting reliably – Can you count the baubles on the tree? How many are there? How many would there be if we had one more? One less?

KS1 – 2D & 3D shape – Can you find shapes in the environment? How many corners, sides does it have? What 3D shapes can you see under the Christmas tree? How many edges/faces do they have?

#### Website of the Week

http://www.topmarks.co.uk/christmas/ChristmasGames.aspx

This website contains a wide range of Christmas themed online games for children of all ages to enjoy and learn from.

## Headteacher Awards



# Worship Leader Awards



#### **Diary Dates**

#### New dates will be shown in bold.

Date	Occasion	Who?
December 2016		
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Kites Christmas Jumper Christmas Disco – 3.05pm – 4.30pm	All children
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch	All children
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Church Service – St Nicholas Church – 2pm	Everyone
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term	Everyone
January 2016		
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Inset Day	Staff only
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Term - 8.50am	Everyone
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Governors Resources Committee	Governors
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Christingle Service - 3pm – St Nicholas Church	Everyone
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Governors Meeting	All Governors



