



Dear Parents, Pupils and Staff,

### It's December!!!

As we move into December it is hard to believe that we only have 2 weeks left. There is so much happening in school and everyone will be ready and in need of the 2 weeks off!

You may have seen the children out and about in the morning before school wearing High-Visability jackets carrying out a traffic survey. This was part of the school council's work to look at the situation with regards to traffic and parking before school. Once the children have completed the survey and compiled all of their notes, they will write to you with their findings and any actions.



In keeping with the theme of cars, I have noticed that when the gates first open at 8.30am there are very few cars and most people are arriving to school at 8.45am meaning that this time is particularly busy. As a result some children are often late. If at all possible please try to arrive shortly after the gates first open if you can. I know the morning is a busy time for everyone but if we can make the process smoother, safer and more efficient it would be very much appreciated. Please remember that children should be in their classrooms for 8.55am, ready to start lessons.

Class 9 had the opportunity to decorate one of the Christmas Trees in Corringham Town Centre today. Mrs Livingstone was pleased to report that the children had a fantastic time and represented the school extremely well. If you are in the town centre over the next couple of weeks please look out for our decorated tree.

During Friendship week, the children all had the opportunity to design a poster to highlight the STOP (Several Times On Purpose) message with regards to bullying. All of the children in Years 1 to 6 created some excellent posters and Mrs Lewis had the difficult job of selecting the winners of each class. Each of the winners listed below received a small worry monster as a prize and will also have their poster displayed around the school. The winners were: Lily-Marie Luke, Harry Rogers, Heidi Parkes, Ella Tarbard, Inessa Bukauskaite, Lilly Kennedy, Reuel Faleye, Rheo Bernadine, Maisie Waters, Harrison Martin, Ben Newins and Bethanie Green. Well done to all of these children.

Next week the real festivities begin with Christmas dinners, Christmas performances, Christmas shopping days and the famous Christmas jumper day. Please note the key dates and times in your diary!

The PTA have been busy at work today getting ready for our biggest Christmas Fete to date. There is so much to look forward to and I look forward to sharing photos and highlights from the event in next week's newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend!

*J. A. Bryant*  
Headteacher



This week the **Attendance Trophies** have been awarded to

**KS1**

**Class 4**

**Mrs McAllister**

**97.0%**

**KS2**

**Class 11**

**Mrs Matthews**

**99.7%**

***Congratulations to all classes!***

**Whole School Attendance**

**95.4%**



### **Silver Headteacher Award**

Today I presented a Silver Headteacher Award to Sadie Hawkins for receiving 10 Headteacher Awards. She is now the proud owner of a pen to go with her pencil. Well done Sadie!



### **Bronze Headteacher Award**

Today I presented 12 Bronze Headteacher Awards to Alyce Palmer, Emmanuela Koin, Alfie Cox, Rosie Moughton, Oscar Cross, Ronni Wilson, Charlie Mahoney, Riley Macgregor, Aaron Osbourne,, Zachariah Hussey, Elle Beckham and Harry Rogers They collected their sticker and pencil in assembly today. Congratulations to all of them!



### **Children coming into school Late**

This week the amount of learning time lost by 5 children combined was 2 hour and 25 minutes.

Children can enter school from 8.30am and there are some learning activities for them to carry out the moment they enter class. Registration closes at 8.55am and the first lesson starts at 8.55am. If children are late they potentially miss the start of the learning process and over time this can mount up.



### **St. Andrew's Day**

The children enjoyed learning about St. Andrew's day and eating the shortbread supplied to the children as a treat on Thursday. St David's Day next...



### Children in Need

As a school we raised a fantastic £337 for Children in Need. A huge thank you to everyone for your support with such a wonderful cause.



Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December -KS2 children will have their Christmas Dinner (Early Years & KS1 children to bring in a packed lunch)

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Early Years & KS1 children will have their Christmas Dinner (KS2 children to bring in a packed lunch)

The price is the normal price of £2.10 to be paid as usual on School Comms. If your child doesn't like the hot meals you can of course send them in a packed lunch



### Christmas Jumper Day

Next Friday is our last non-uniform day of 2017. It is time to get the Christmas jumpers out of the loft and celebrate Christmas in style. We are asking for a £1 donation and the children do not need to wear school uniform on this day.



### Book Fair

A huge thank you to everyone for supporting the book fair. It was lovely to see so many children wanting to buy a book with their money. As a result of the amount of money spent we can stock our new Key Stage Two reading area with new books. We really appreciate your support!



### Christmas Performances

Please check below for the dates and times of the Christmas performances as they have been changed from the original information given at the beginning of the year.



### LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

Choir –Permission letter to participate in the performance at Collins House on 4<sup>th</sup> December.

Letter re Building works starting at school on 4<sup>th</sup> December.

Letters from PTA re Christmas Shopping Days.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES...



December	
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Christmas Fete 3.30pm – 7pm
	Year 5 IOW Payment of £50 due (April 2018 Trip)
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Class Parties
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Songs (9.10am)
	Year 2 Christmas Performance (2.20pm)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Christmas Performance (9.10am)
	KS2 Christmas Dinner - (KS1 to bring in a packed lunch)
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 & 4 Christmas Performance (9.15am) [For Year 3 Parents]
	Yr 3 & 4 Christmas Performance (2.15pm) [For Year 4 Parents]
	KS1 Christmas Dinner (KS2 to bring in a packed lunch)
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Xmas Jumper Day
	EYFS/KS1 Christmas Shopping Day – see today's email from PTA
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3/4 Christmas Shopping Day
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5/6 Christmas Shopping Day
	Year 5 & 6 Christmas Performance (9.15am) [For Year 5 Parents]
	Year 5 & 6 Christmas Performance (2.15pm) [For Year 6 Parents]
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	'Mop Up' Christmas Shopping Day
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	SEND Coffee Morning 9.00am
	KS2 Disco Years 3 & 4 - 4:00pm until 5:30pm (Please note that children will need to be collected at the normal home time and return to school for 4:00pm.)
	Years 5 & 6 - 5:45pm until 7:15pm
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Pantomime in School
	Last Day of Term
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Pupil Day
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Pupil Day
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Pupil Day

Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> – Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> January	<b>Holiday</b>
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Non-Pupil Day