



Dear Parents, Pupils and Staff,

IT'S CHRISTMAS!!!



Another very busy week with the children preparing for the festive season. The Christmas shops were the highlight of the week with lots of the children buying some lovely gifts for all of the family. There was a real buzz of excitement as the children walked to the Christmas shop and then lots of happy faces with bags of presents as they skipped back to class. This is such a lovely idea that I know the children love – I hope you enjoy your presents! I must take this opportunity to say a

huge thank you to the PTA members because they have worked really hard over the last week to ensure the children have a memorable and magical time at school over the Christmas period. I have been so impressed with their hard work and commitment to the school and I can honestly say that they do so much for the children at Arthur Bugler!



The choir visited two more care homes this week and I am pleased to hear that they represented the school to a very high standard once again. Well done to all of the children and the staff that take the time to work so hard with the children at this busy time of year.

Last night the children in Key Stage 2 enjoyed the discos and I was impressed with some of the dance moves on show! I know the children really enjoy this event but my thanks go to the PTA and staff who worked hard to ensure the children all had a memorable time.

Today the gifts under the 'Giving Tree' were collected by Paul Luke from the Stanford-Le-Hope & Surrounding Area Fundraising Team. I was very pleased and proud to present over 200 gifts! I was overwhelmed with everyone's generosity for this fantastic cause. I know the children and adults in hospital over the Christmas period will smile when presented with some of the wonderful gifts donated by our fantastic community. Thank you to everyone that supported this. I think this is definitely something we will do again next year.



The highlight of today was the Panto! The children in the school watched an excellent performance of Cinderella and the characters even enjoyed spending time with the children at lunch time. I am sure the children will tell you all about it... (oh no they won't!)

Today, with mixed emotions, we said goodbye to 2 members of staff. Mrs Green is leaving to work at a school closer to her home and Mrs Mitchell is retiring from her LSA role. The whole community will miss them but know they will leave with fond memories of the Arthur Bugler community.



It has been another action packed term and I am looking forward to the next chapter. I must also thank all of the staff for their hard work throughout the term as without their dedication to the school, Arthur Bugler would not be the school it is today!

Lastly, all that is left for me to say is to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Enjoy the festive season and I look forward to welcoming everyone back in January.

J. A. Bryant
Headteacher

Message from Anjie Gaywood

Dear Parents & Carers,

I am just writing to inform you of some changes to our Governing Body. Last week I took the decision to step down as Chair of Governors after a considerable number of years to hand the reins safely over to Mr Andrew Walker, who was our Vice Chair and previously Chair of Governors at Arthur Bugler Junior School.

Arthur Bugler Primary School has been on a tremendous journey of evolvement and change over the last 10 years and it has been my absolute pleasure to be Chair of Governors during this time. I became a governor when Mrs Davies was the Headteacher at Arthur Bugler Infant School and became Chair of Governors shortly after Mr Eric Salmon was appointed the new headteacher.

As both a past parent at Arthur Bugler and as a governor it has been a really exciting journey watching how the schools have come together as a primary school and are now part of an even larger family of schools within the St Clere’s Cooperative Multi Academy Trust with our community at its very heart.

I know that we have amazing, wonderful pupils, parents, carers and staff and as our whole school community you are playing an essential role in supporting our school to become outstanding. That just leaves me to thank you for all of your support to both our school, the governing body and myself over the years.

Wishing you all a happy, healthy and safe Christmas and New Year.

Mrs Anjie Gaywood



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

KS1	Class 4	Mrs M^cAllister	99.3%
KS2	Class 7	Mr Simmonds	99.3%

Congratulations to all classes!

Whole School Attendance	93.8%
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Bronze Headteacher Award

This week I presented 3 Bronze Headteacher Awards to Kirsty Lynch, Dylan Jarosz and Jessica Davison. They collected their badge and ruler in assembly. Congratulations to all 3 of them!



Star Writers Of The Term

Congratulations to the following children for receiving a 'Golden Pencil' and being crowned 'Star Writers' for this term.

Lenny Tucker, Olivia Beard, Isabella Hussey, Roman Adams, Suniti Verma, Amy Gjoni, Hollie Rollinson, Mylie Cuthbert, Isaac Sear, Ella Wallace, Teddy Marlow, Poppy O'Neill, Samantha Herring and Lacey O'Neill.



Golden Tickets

The draw was made yesterday and the following children were drawn out of the box and won a book voucher:

Henry M^cCartney, Joyce Oduwole, Ilyas Hussain, Toby Kew, Maisie Waters, Aaron Osbourne and Maeva Hubert.

Well done to everyone for reading so much at home – make sure you continue to read over the holidays.



Christmas Jumper Day

I am pleased to inform you that we raised £290.00 during the Christmas Jumper day at school last Friday. All money raised will go towards our charity of the year. There was a fantastic range of Christmas jumpers and everyone had a great time getting into the festive spirit.



Clubs

Information for Spring Term clubs will be sent out on Monday 9th January 2017



We are going cashless!

After Christmas the school will move towards not taking any cash payments which means all payments will be made online. This will save lots of time and help many parents/carers who struggle to get the correct change when there is an event in school. Information will be sent in the new year...



LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

Online Safety Newsletter – All Years – sent by ParentMail – 13/12/16

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES...



December

Friday 16th

Pantomime in School
Last Day of Term

Monday 19th

Non-Pupil Day

Tuesday 20th – Monday
2nd January

Holiday

January

Tuesday 3rd

Non-Pupil Day

Wednesday 4th

Return to School

Thursday 12th

SEN Coffee Morning (9am)

Monday 16th – Friday 20th

Multicultural Week

Wednesday 18th

SEND Parent/Carer Meetings (Invites to be sent)

Monday 30th

Grandparents Celebrations (PM)

Tuesday 31st

Grandparents Celebrations (PM)