

# NEWSLETTER

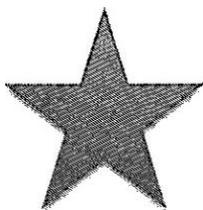
19<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Now that we have come to the end of our first term in this academic year, I would like to thank you all for your support and to congratulate all of our pupils on the dedication they have shown to their learning. It has been a very busy but rewarding first term.

It was wonderful to see and hear the children singing in the church today at the Christmas service. It truly was a wonderful way to end the term. Many people have commented how well our pupils behave in the church and I would agree that they are a credit to us. I am very proud of them.

I wish you and your families a peaceful Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all again in the new year.

Warmest Christmas wishes, Mrs Fitter.



## STARS OF THE WEEK

**RECEPTION: whole class**

**CLASS 1: whole class**

**CLASS 2: whole class**

**CLASS 3: Archie Campbell-Passey**

**CLASS 4: whole class**

**CLASS 5: Alisha Duce**

**CLASS 6: Ruby Cullender**



## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

**Reception = 89.9%**

**Year 1 = 90.46%**

**Year 2 = 90.41%**

**Year 3 = 92.37%**

**Year 4 = 92.81%**

**Year 5 = 94.85%**

**Year 6 = 93.87%**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – First day of Spring term**

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January – Parent Forum meeting**

From the beginning of next term, Theresa Hill will be the acting Catering Manager and Claire Davidson will be acting Catering Assistant.

Please could I ask that you settle all outstanding monies owed, such as school dinner money, before the beginning of next term.

## NEWS FROM CLASSES

**Reception Class** After lots of rehearsals, we performed our first Nativity Play at St. Leonard's Church. We had lots of discussions about Advent and why Christians perform Nativity Plays at Christmas. Back in class, we have been learning about 2D shapes and we wrote letters to Santa.

**Class 1** are very proud of their nativity performance. Their singing was wonderful due to all the practice they had! They have enjoyed learning more about Christmas traditions back in class.

**Class 2** Reception, Class 1 and Class 2 have finally performed their nativity! It was fantastic and all the parents were thoroughly impressed. The children gave their all and sang beautifully. They deserve all the praise they received. WELL DONE!

**Class 3** have been making kites in their DT lessons. We were lucky with the weather enabling us to go outside to try them out. The children had to run like the wind to keep their kites in the air. The children thoroughly enjoyed watching a fantastic nativity and were very proud of their younger siblings, cousins and friends.



**Class 4** As a follow up activity to our trip to Colchester zoo, Class 4 has been very creative in their writing by creating a persuasive leaflet to encourage other people to visit the zoo. Their leaflets featured interesting slogans, attractive pictures and other useful information to help visitors.

### Year 5

Y5 have been really enjoying a book by Lauren St John called *The White Giraffe*, which fitted in well with our topic on Crime Investigation. It is about the illegal trade of rare animals. Ask one of them how to write a persuasive letter to an ambassador or diplomat at a foreign embassy!

### Year 6

Class 6 have had a great few days enjoying some Christmas themed activities. I hope they have a wonderful Christmas, enjoy the time with their families and stay safe. Merry Christmas from Miss Crouch.



**Christmas Tree Recycling**

Register before  
3<sup>rd</sup> January  
12 noon

**Register now** on the Farleigh Hospice website:  
[www.farleighhospice.org/trees](http://www.farleighhospice.org/trees)

We will collect on: 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019 from;  
CM0, CM1, CM2, CM3, CM7, CM8, CM9 and CM77

Suggested minimum donation of just £5 per tree,  
but please feel free to give more.