



Term 2

December 2016

Christmas Newsletter

Dear Parents

The school is looking very festive! Well done to all the staff for making it look so wonderful. As we enter the busy lead up to the Christmas period, I write to remind and inform you of events happening at school.

Staffing News



I would like to extend a big welcome to Mrs Francesca Sallabanks who joins us this term as our new Early Years Assistant in Robins, working alongside Miss Rigby, whilst Mrs Kruger-Dean is on maternity leave. Mrs Sallabanks has been a volunteer at the school and has a wealth of experience working with young children. I would also like to welcome our new volunteers; we are joined by Mrs Lucy Niven, Miss Deborah Tily and Mrs Carol Martin.



Pantomime 2016: Dick Whittington- Reception to Year 6

We are looking forward to seeing the pantomime, Dick Whittington at The Key Theatre, Peterborough on **Tuesday 13th December**. Please ensure you have returned your permission slips. **Dress code: Uniform.**



The Christmas Post Box

Our Christmas Post Box will be outside the School Office from **Thursday 1st December** and, as usual, one delivery will be made to classes on **Friday 16th December 2016**. Please use the post box as the children love the excitement of opening the post box on party day and we can recycle envelopes where possible!

Please ensure your child has written the recipient's **first and last name and year** clearly on the envelope. There will be a list of names on the Parents' Noticeboard to check for correct spelling and year groups if you need to.



Christmas Disco and Fayre

The PFA Christmas newsletter went out this week detailing their Christmas Events.

Friday 2nd December will be the "bring a decorated jam jar" and non-uniform day for the PFA Jam Jar stall.

The Christmas Disco and Fayre are on **Friday 9th December** from **6.00 pm**. Please make sure that if your children are attending and also would like to see Santa that you sign up on the notices in the central area. The PFA are also looking for volunteer helpers to help set up and run the event.



Christmas Performance – The Magical Christmas Jigsaw

Rehearsals for The Magical Christmas Jigsaw have started and the children will be having their final **dress rehearsal on Friday 9th December** in the Church. The performance times are;

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| Wednesday 14th December at | 9.30 am. And |
| Thursday 15th December at | 6.00 pm. |



Both performances will be held at the church and there will be refreshments of mulled wine and mince pies available after the twilight performance. **The Twilight performance will mark Mrs Milton's last assembly with parents.**

May I also take this opportunity to request that no photographs be uploaded onto Facebook or other social networking sites, without the permission of the child's parents. It was felt that due to the age of the children in Robins Nest they would not take part in the Christmas performances but are very welcome to come and join us at either performance if they would like.



**Christmas Lunches Kingswood Christmas Lunch – Thursday 15th December
Warmington School Party Lunch – Monday 19th December**

Kingswood's Christmas Lunch is on **Thursday 15th December**. If you would like your child to receive their Christmas meal please login to your Kingswood account **by Wednesday 7th December to book** your meal.



Historically we hold a party lunch for children during the last week of term and therefore there are **no hot school meals** on party day. This year's party meal will be on **Monday 19th December**. We ask parents to bring some food for sharing at lunchtime with all the children on this day. Parents can sign up against the food they would like to bring in on the food list on the parents noticeboard in the central area (no food containing peanuts please). We understand that children in KS1 are eligible for free school meals on this day but hope that parents would be willing to support us.

Any containers that you wish to be returned should be clearly named.

- ❖ Children **do not have to wear school uniform on this day**, but will need to be dressed warmly enough to play outside.



Christingle Service at St Mary's Church Warmington

We will be holding a Christingle Service at the Church on the last day of term, **Tuesday 20th December at 2.15 pm** which all parents are warmly invited to attend. If your child attends Robin's Nest on this day and you would like to take them to the service please arrange with either Miss Rigby or Mrs Sallabanks to pick them up from the setting by 2.00 pm. After the service, the children will return to school with their teacher where they can be picked up from school as usual.



Christmas Carols by Candlelight at St Mary's Church Warmington

The traditional service of Carols and Readings will be held at Warmington Church on **Sunday 18th December at 6pm**.



End of Term 2

The School will close **on Tuesday 20th December 2016 at 3.15 pm** for the Christmas Break. There is an inset day on Wednesday 4th January and school re-opens to pupils after the Christmas break **on Thursday 5th January 2017**.

If you have any suggestions, or require any further information with regards to events in school, please do not hesitate to come and see me.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and New Year!

Thank you for your continued support

**Mrs J Milton
Executive Headteacher**

