

Dear Parents and Carers

Birch team, as winners of the house points decorated the Christmas tree. Every bit of tinsel and bauble was very carefully placed and Jack expressed how proud he is of his team.



The Christmas Fair was another triumph with the quality of the Christmas hampers exceptional, well done to the lucky winners who took one home. Each class worked really hard on the hampers and I am pleased to announce the winner for the best hampers were congratulated. The Christmas Fair raised a lot of money with the last count standing at £1200, thank you all for your amazing generosity.

It was lovely to once again hear our choir opening the Christmas Fair with their singing, thank you to the choir and to Mrs Davies for organising. I would also like to thank our choir for singing at Sainsbury's – well done to you all.



## **Joy to the World!**

This week the choir sang their hearts out at Sainsbury's to raise money for SENSE, the charity supporting deaf and blind people. They sang a range of traditional and modern carols. Under the guidance of Miss Robinson they learnt to sign three of the carols. The children did so well and were fantastic ambassadors for Oliver's Battery School. A huge well done to all the children in choir and a huge thank you to all who have supported choir this year. We are very pleased to tell you that the children managed to raise £152.93 which will all go to the SENSE charity. Mrs Davies and Mrs Thomas

Our Christmas lunch saw some very special visitors serving from the kitchen, thank you to Mrs Burnett and her team for giving us a lovely Christmas lunch. We all thoroughly enjoyed it including Reverend Mike who was our special guest.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Raisbeck for all the hard work that she has put into the school as part of the kitchen team. She will be missed and we wish her all the best.

Congratulations to Hedgehogs and Skylarks for filling the hall with the sound of ukuleles. The children have worked really hard to master this instrument and I know that we have future ukulele players in our midst.

#### Buildings:

The builders have been busy putting in the new windows and making sure that the cabling is secure in the roof space.



#### Forest School-style sessions

Last week Year 5 had a lovely time creating Christmassy crafts and taking part in a challenging team-building game.

We finished with toasted bread and honey round the camp fire. We thought you might like to see what we've been up to!



Next term Year 4 will be starting their sessions on **Tuesday 9 January**. It is important that the children come equipped with warm layers to get changed into, a warm waterproof coat, hat and gloves and shoes they can get muddy. Thank you for your support.

### **Football Tournament**

Last Thursday we entered the Kings' School Annual Football Tournament. We took two teams, a Year 4/5 team and a Year 6 team. There was a very good turnout with seven teams in each pool. All teams played against the others in their pool and then the winners of each pool played in a final.



We played some very good football, showing our skills in passing, defending and striking. Unfortunately neither teams made the final but some great goals were scored and some close matches won.

Well done to all the players and to John for coaching every week.

### **Theatre Busters**

On Thursday evening the children who attend the Theatre Busters after school club put on a performance for their families – thank you to all the parents who attended and well done to all the performers!

### **Year R Nativity**

The Year R Nativity will take place in the school hall at 9.30am on **Tuesday 19 December**.

### **Change of Menu**

Next week there will be two changes of menu. On **Tuesday** the roast will be beef not pork or vegetarian sausage puff. On **Thursday** it will be Fish and Chips or BBQ vegetable and bean wrap.

### **Uniform Supplier**

The company that supply our uniform will be closed on Saturday 16 December and from 1pm on Thursday 21 December and will re-open on Tuesday 2 January 2018.

### **Clubs**

Football, Netball and Curious Creatures will re-start after February half term. Code Club will start on Wednesday 17 January and Theatre Busters will start on Thursday 11 January. A new club timetable will be sent out next week.

### **End of Term**

Please ensure that your child brings home all their belongings i.e PE Kits at the end of term – the builders will be working in the school buildings.

### **DVD's**

The lunchtime staff would appreciate any donations of 'U' rated dvd's for wet play – please bring them to the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



Miss F Wood  
Headteacher

**Dates for your diary (new dates in red)**

Rock Steady Concert – 2.30pm	18 December
Year R Nativity Play – 9.30am	19 December
Year 1 and 2 to St Marks Church – 2pm	19 December
No Breakfast Club	21 December
KS2 Church Service at St. Luke's (10.30am)	21 December
Last day of Term	21 December
First day of Term	4 January 2018
<b>Year 4 Forest School</b>	<b>9 January 2018</b>
Online Safety Workshop	10 January 2018
School Grounds Day 10am – 2pm	14 January 2018
Inset Day	26 January 2018
Cinema	30 January 2018
KS2 SAT's Information Evening – 7pm	7 February 2018
KS1 SAT's Information Evening – 7pm	8 February 2018
School Grounds Day 10am – 2pm	25 February 2018
Mothers' Day Shop	9 March 2018
Inset Day	16 March 2018
Year 6 Transition Coffee Morning/Afternoon Tea	22 March 2018
School Grounds Day 10am – 2pm	25 March 2018
Year 6 Transition Coffee Morning/Afternoon Tea	26 March 2018
Easter Egg Hunt	27 March 2018
School Grounds Day 10am – 2pm	29 April 2018
School Grounds Day 10am – 2pm	10 June 2018
Year 6 Transition Coffee Morning/Afternoon Tea	11 June 2018
Fathers' Day Shop	15 June 2018
Summer Fayre	23 June 2018
Uniform Evening	27 June 2018
Year 6 Parents Information Evening at Kings'	4 July 2018
Inset Day	6 July 2018
Inset Day	9 July 2018