



Paulton Infant School

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Dear Parents/Carers

The Festive season is nearly upon us. I hope that you have enjoyed the Nativities and Year 2 Carols at the church as much as I have. The children have been amazing and it has been wonderful to watch how their confidence and enjoyment shines through when they are performing. It has been quite a long term and I think that we are all looking forward to a bit of a rest to recharge our batteries and spend some time with our friends and families.

Bloomfield Care Home

We had a fabulous visit to the Bloomfield Care Home on Monday 16th December. Thank you very much to our three fantastic parent helpers who helped us with this local trip. The children from Sycamore Class were a credit to our school with their excellent behaviour, beautiful singing and positive and friendly attitudes towards the residents at the care home. They sang 6 songs beautifully accompanied by our very musically talented Mrs Butcher (and team!). We plan a visit in the summer term for Magnolia to sing at the care home, sharing some of their Year 2 Show performance songs.



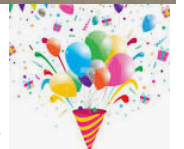
Pantomime



The school enjoyed the wonderful production of Beauty and the Beast, performed by Chaplins Pantos for Kids. A lot of fun, cheering, and joining in as an audience was had and the children had a fantastic time. This was our way of wishing the children a very Happy Christmas and to experience a traditional Pantomime.

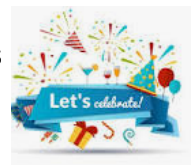
On-Line Safety

As the Christmas break approaches, screen time is likely to increase a little for our children. This is a great time to check the parental controls you have set up, especially if purchasing or gifting a new device like a tablet or games console. The NSPCC have a great guide to setting up parental controls to help you keep your child safe online. <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/> If you're worried about your child's online activity you can get advice from trained councillors at the NSPCC <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/> or Childline <https://www.childline.org.uk/get-support/contacting-childline/>



Attendance Winner

The class with the highest attendance will be able to enjoy a class activity of their choosing. It was a close run race this month between Hawthorn and Sycamore Class, but in the end Hawthorn Class won with 95.4%. Well done Hawthorn Class!



PTA Christmas Fair

On Friday 6th December we held our Christmas Fair—thank you to everyone that came and supported both schools. All the profit from the fairs will be added to our Forest School Fund. The PTA have shared that we raised an amazing: **£1,342.41**. A huge thank you must go to Frances our PTA Chair and her wonderful team for all of their hard work and enthusiasm to put such a great event together. Also a massive thank you too to all of the staff who gave up their time to support the schools in running stalls.

Key Dates next term:

Monday 6th Jan—INSET Day—No Children to attend school.

Tuesday 7th January— Start of Term 3

Friday 10th January— Wessex Water Year 2 Workshops

Friday 17th January—Wessex Water Year 1 Workshops

Monday 10th February—Magnolia Class Assembly

As always, please feel free to come and talk to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Best wishes Emily Omell