



# 2019



## 6th December 2019 Newsletter

### Diary Dates Week Commencing 9th December 2019

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| Monday 9th December     | - NO FOREST SCHOOL<br>- SWIMMING GALA FOR SWIMMING TEAM<br>- Drawing after school club pick-up 4:15  |
| Tuesday 10th December   | - Whole school sport Bentham pick-up 3:15<br>- After school Sports Club Bentham pick-up 4:15   |
| Wednesday 11th December | - SCHOOL NURSES SEE RECEPTION & YEAR 6<br>- After school clubs Warhammer & Board Games pick-up 4:15<br>- After school club Sewing pick-up 4:30 |
| Thursday 12th December  | - THEME EXIT 2:15<br>- After school clubs STEM & Knitting pick-up 4:15   |
| Friday 13th December    | - Celebration Assembly 9:00 In Eagle Classroom<br>- After school clubs Reading & Stay and Play pick-up 4:15                                    |

### Diary Dates Week Commencing 16th December 2019

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| Monday 16th December    | - WHOLE SCHOOL FOREST SCHOOL 11:00 Parents welcome<br>- Drawing after school club pick-up 4:15 |
| Tuesday 17th December   | - Whole school sport Bentham pick-up 3:15<br>- After school Sports Club Bentham pick-up 4:15   |
| Wednesday 18th December | - NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS<br>- NATIVITY PROCESSION FROM SCHOOL 5:30                              |
| Thursday 19th December  | - After school clubs STEM & Knitting pick-up 4:15  |
| Friday 20th December    | - INSET DAY  |

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS BACK TO SCHOOL  
6TH JANUARY**



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Dear Parents & Carers,

Once again we've had a busy time at school and the past two weeks have seen the creation of some spectacular lanterns for the Stroud Goodwill Evening and the culmination of our Poetry Project with the Poetry Slam on Thursday afternoon. Also the children (and staff!) enjoyed the Pantomime this morning particularly Mr Tylour who made a new best friend in Widow Twanky! (Oh yes he did!). The children were brilliantly behaved particularly when the fire alarm went off and we had to evacuate the building to the car park. Turns out the fire alarm wasn't part of Princess Jasmin's amulet speaking to the audience after all but a reaction to an overzealous smoke machine! Seeing Abanazar in a duffle coat and Mr T making acquaintances with Widow Twanky was not what we were expecting! Well done to Mr Tylour for being a good sport and singing solo on stage.

The Goodwill and Lantern Festival takes place this evening (Friday) starting at the Subscription Rooms in Stroud from 5.30 p.m. and parading around the town. It would be great to see as many of you there as possible with your lanterns which children will have brought home by now and of course Eagle children have their giant sea serpent (that is almost as long as Eagle Classroom once it is put together) to carry which will take many, many hands! If anyone has any ideas how to get this back to school or what to do with it afterwards I'd love to know as I currently have no clue! Please note that you need to stay with, and be responsible for, your own children during this event. As we are parading as a school however, we do expect the usual high standards of behaviour.

On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> we have the Swimming Gala for 12 of our children and we wish them lots of luck. Children attending have been given letters already and need to meet at the Leisure Centre as per the letter.

There will be no Forest School on Monday 9<sup>th</sup>; instead the whole school will be going to Forest School on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> from 11.00 onwards. If you would like to join us you would be very welcome.

We have our Theme Exit on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>. Please come and share your children's work with them in their classrooms from 2.15 onwards. Grandparents /other family members are welcome. For those of you new to school and as a reminder to everyone else, we have our Nativity Procession and service on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. The Nativity procession starts on the school playground at 5.30 p.m. then we walk through the village on our 'journey', arriving at the Church for the remainder of the service. All are welcome to this event; we hope to see you there.

As you will know from my previous letter, Ms Murphy will be leaving her position as Merlin Class teacher at the end of this term. We would like to thank her for all she has done for the school to date in her role as Governor, Teacher, FOSS member and parent. Last week we successfully recruited a new teacher- Mrs Melanie Wellings, for Merlin Class to work alongside Mrs Lane, myself and the rest of the staff team. Mrs Wellings is a very experienced teacher currently teaching in EYFS/Year 1 and we look forward to introducing her to you in due course. She will be joining us in school for two days between now and the end of term as part of the transition process to meet the children again and to speak with Ms Murphy and Mrs Lane so that the handover is as smooth as possible.

School reports will come home next week. We hope you find them useful. These are in our short report format so if you have any questions please speak to your child's class teacher. There will be further parent's meetings and a final report by the end of the school year.

You'll also receive a flyer today about 'AirLane Taxi's' - this is Mrs Lane's husband and we can of course highly recommend him should you need a taxi anywhere, so give him a call!

Thank you for those people that have contributed to the Stroud Foodbank Reverse Advent Calendar. Please keep the donations coming into school, we would love to have some full boxes to take to the Food Bank in January.

An inspirational setting where all children flourish' what more could we say? Kind regards, Vicky Barron Head teacher





Mr Tylour takes a starring role in the Panto!



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Lantern making for the Stroud Goodwill Festival

