



December 2018

Christmas Message

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the staff and governors, to wish you a restful and enjoyable Christmas holiday and we look forward to seeing you in the new year. Thank you so much for all your support with all the events that have been held during the last term.

Kind Regards.

Louise Proberts

Christmas Plans for 2018

Please find details of the remainder of our Christmas activities below.

Miss Dale and Mrs Hughes' classes will be holding their joint Christmas Performance on Thursday 13th December at 2.15 p.m. in the school hall.

Miss Lacy and Miss Muirhead's classes will be leading Christmas Carols around the tree in the hall on Wednesday 12th December from 2.30 p.m.

Mrs Watt and Mrs Williams' classes will be leading Christmas Carols around the tree in the hall on Friday 14th December from 2.30 p.m.

Year 3 and 4 will be holding carols around the tree and this will not be a performance. Instead, parents are very welcome to come and enjoy refreshments and join in with the singing!

Years 5 and 6 will be leading a Lessons and Carols service in church on Monday 17th December from 10 a.m.

Christmas Discos

Monday 17th December for Reception (4-4.45 p.m.), Year 1 (5-5.45 p.m.) and Year 2 (6-7 p.m.),

Tuesday 18th December for Nursery (4-4.45 p.m.), Years 3 and 5 (5-6 p.m.), 4 and 6 (6.15-7.15 p.m.). A letter has been sent out via email and as a paper copy.

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 14th December—pupils are welcome to come to school with a homemade or bought Christmas jumper. Alternatively, pupils can wear a Christmas hat or headband. For pupils in Year 6, this is on Thursday 13th December. For pupils in the beginning of the week Nursery, this is on Monday 17th December.

Staff Training Days

School finishes for Christmas on Wednesday 19th December after school. We have staff training days on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st December. Pupils return to school on Monday 7th January 2019.

Our final staff training day is on **Monday 3rd June** so pupils finish for the summer after school on **Tuesday 23rd July 2019.**

Christmas Party Days

Year 2 and Year 3 Parties are on Monday 17th December (party clothes can be worn all day).

Reception Party is on Tuesday 18th December (party clothes can be worn all day).

Year 1 Party is on Wednesday 19th December (party clothes can be worn all day).

Years 4, 5 and 6 Parties are on the afternoon of Wednesday 19th December (please bring party clothes into school to get changed).

Nursery parties are on Wednesday 19th December (morning for beginning of the week, afternoon for end of the week).

We will provide pupils with party snacks and will cater for all dietary requirements. Please can we ask that pupils bring in £1 contribution to cover costs? Money will just need to come in on your child's party day. Thank you.



The school has subscribed to MarvellousMe which is an app that promotes parental engagement and informs parents and families of activities and achievements that your child has participated in. All parents were sent a letter with your child's unique code to log in. Please let school know if you have not received yours. MarvellousMe will be starting after the Christmas holidays.

Grandparents' Bingo Afternoon

Thank you to all those grandparents who were able to attend our bingo afternoon last week. The peer mentors did an amazing job setting up, supporting with the raffle, serving drinks and entertaining!

Friends of St Francis Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone who was able to come and support the Christmas Fayre at the beginning of the month. Special thanks to all those parents/carers who donated, helped to set up, run stalls and tidy away at the end of the event. The Friends raised £1550 with an additional £1000 matched funding to hopefully come from sales of the raffle.



The school is on FaceBook which is a closed group but contains photos and messages to school. Our twitter feed is StFrancisPSIB. Please join us if you are on social media.