

Fountains CE Primary School



Newsletter 21st December 2018



We have had a lovely week in school counting down to Christmas. The children have been brilliant and have loved taking part in all the events, particularly the Christmas parties and Christmas dinner. I think we are all ready for a Christmas break now!
We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Staffing – January

There will be a couple of staffing changes for January.

As you are aware, Mrs Acheson will be joining us after Christmas as our new Headteacher and so Mrs Barker will be returning into Class 4 to teach Year 5 & 6. Mrs Barker will be taking over the Teacher in Charge role from Mrs Micklefield and so she will be the person to come to when Mrs Acheson isn't in school. Thank you very much to Mrs Micklefield for doing this role so well this term; it is appreciated.

Mrs Lewis will be staying with us to work over the Federation to cover a range of classes. I'm sure you'll agree that Mrs Lewis has done a wonderful job in Class 4 and the children are really going to miss her. Thank you for all of your hard work and we are all pleased that you'll still be around.

Miss Frankland has been working alongside Miss Rogers this term in Class 1 as she trains to be a teacher. After Christmas Miss Frankland is spending the first half term at a different school, but she will be returning to Fountains after February half term.

Mrs Matthews is going to take over the running of breakfast club from Mrs Nelson from January.

Swimming

After Christmas, Class 1 and Class 2 will be going swimming every Friday afternoon. They will leave school at 1pm and return to school at approximately 3.15pm. Your child needs to bring a towel, a swimming costume/ swimming trunks (not shorts), a swimming hat and goggles. They may also bring a healthy snack to have after they have finished, however we do ask that they don't bring crisps or sweets. If you haven't already can you please pay for this via ParentPay.

Forest School – Year 5 & 6

The children in Year 5 & 6 will be taking part in Forest Schools after Christmas. This will take place on a Monday afternoon and their first session will be the second week back on Monday 14th January.

After School Clubs

After school clubs in the Spring Term will begin week commencing 14th January.

Spaces are still available so please let Mrs Mallinson know if your child would like to attend one. Unfortunately, if insufficient interest is shown in a club it will not be viable to run.

For Action

We have a number of school lunch menus outstanding. As we will have a new Cook joining us in January, it is imperative that we have the correct information to ensure we order the right amount of food. Please therefore return your completed menu as soon as possible.

Please be reminded that your child will NOT be allowed to travel home on the bus unless we have a completed bus form from you. If your child is travelling home on the school bus, please see Mrs Mallinson in the School Office.

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Future dates for your diary

Mon 7 th Jan	Staff Training Day
Tues 8 th Jan	School re-opens
Friday 11 th Jan	First swimming session for Reception, Year 1 & 2
Monday 14 th Jan	Class 3 – Sportshall athletics at Outwood Academy (12.45pm to 3pm)
Monday 14 th Jan	After school clubs begin
Tuesday 15 th Jan	Friends Meeting – 3.30pm

Attendance

Week commencing 17th December the whole school attendance was 95.12%. Well done to Class 4 who has achieved the top attendance of 97.92%.

PUPILS' FAVOURITE

Pupil's favourite main course of the week - We love Mexican Beef Tortilla Boat
Pupil's favourite sweet of the week – Roly Poly & Custard

School lunches week commencing Monday 7 th January 2019	
Mon: STAFF TRAINING DAY	
Tues: Cottage Pie, medley of vegetables, bread of the day Roly Poly & custard, fresh fruit or yogurt	
Wed: Roast Chicken with sage & onion stuffing & gravy, carrots, savoy cabbage, roast potatoes, bread of the day Fresh fruit or yogurt	
Thurs: Mexican Beef Tortilla Boat with Rice, Mixed salad Apricot Bar, fresh fruit or yogurt	
Fri: Fish Fingers, carrot sticks & apple salad, chipped potatoes, bread of the day Fresh fruit or yogurt	

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Friends of Fountains

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Christmas Fair, events like this wouldn't be possible without your support. We raised £864.85. The event went well and the children had a great time so thank you to all those who were able to come. The children in Class 4 created their own stalls for the fair, the group which made the most money was Ruby Dent and Matilda O'Brien who were selling different things and offering tattoos. All of the children did a fantastic job and raised a lot of money.

As you do your Christmas shopping this year, please don't forget to sign up to easy fundraising and help raise money for school at no extra cost. You can do this by visiting:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fcoepspta/>

We have currently raised £180 for school using easy fundraising and this is from a small number of parents, it would be great to see how much we could raise with more supporters.

School/other Information & Website

All previous newsletters are also now available online. www.grantleyfountains.co.uk