

# Newsletter

Friday 8th December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers.

Christmas is definitely on the way! We are hearing Christmas songs around school, practises of 'The Bethlehem Bake-Off" are in full swing and carols are being practised by KS2 ready for their Carol Concert. Added to this was our amazing trip to the Pantomime yesterday and our Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch today, so I would say we are almost there!

Please do not forget to note down the very important dates coming up in the next few weeks and if you need to apply for tickets, please do not forget to do so. You will need to bring these in for the performances to be allowed entry, so please don't forget them!

Christmas is one of my favourite times of the year and I cannot wait to share these lovely aspects of school life with you.

As always, best wishes. Mrs Gill Finney, Headteacher.

#### **Places Available**

Just to let you know that we have places available in Reception and Years 3, 4 and 5. If you know of anyone wanting a place or who is moving into the area, please let them know. They will then need to contact The Admissions Team on 01524 581112, where arrangements will be made for you.

# Reception on-line Applications



Closing dates for Reception place 15th January 2024.













# **Dates For Your Diary**

Please check dates on every newsletter as new dates are always added. New dates will be printed in red.

11.12.23 - Rev. Katie Assembly - whole school

12.12.23 – KS1 Dress Rehearsal – 1.30pm for school children and staff

13.12 23 – KS1 Performance – 9.15am for parents 14.12.23 - School Choir Singing in the Community -

14.12.23 – KS1 Performance – 1.30pm for parents

15.12.23 – KS2 Carol Concert at St Johns – 2pm for

18.12.23 - Years 5 and 6 Party all day - children in own clothes

18.12.23 - Kindness Café - am

18.12.23 - Year 4 Water Safety Lesson in school

18.12.23 - Year 2 out at St Johns - pm

19.12.23 - Years 3 and 4 Party all day - children in own clothes

19.12.23 - School Choir Singing in the Community -

20.12.23 -KS1 Party all day - children in own clothes

20.12.23 - End of the Autumn Term - 3.20pm

08.01.24 - New term begins - 8.45am

02.02.24 - Reception and Year 6 Height and Weight checks in school

05.02.24 - Anne Frank Workshop for Year 5

06.02.24 - Young Voices in Manchester - 12.30pm

07.02.24 - Anne Frank Workshop for Year 5

05.03.24 - Governor Afternoon in school

09.05.24 - Class Photographs

09.05.24 - Induction Evening for new Reception Parents

13.05.24 - Year 6 SATS Week

20.05.24 - Health Week

22.05.24 - Blue Moose Dance Company all day

24.06.24 - Health Week- Sports Cool Inflatable Day

25.06.24 - Governor Afternoon

27.06.24 - Curling Day

27.06.24 - KS2 Sports Day - am

27.06.24 - KS1 Sports Day - pm

## Merit Winners—Well done Everyone! Friday 1st December 2023

Reception - Daisy Cogswell and Bexley Whitworth

Year 1 - Harry Mylecraine and Jack Broadbent

Year 2 - Lily Dickinson and Alfie Chapman

Year 3 - The Whole Class

Year 4 - The Whole Class

Year 5 - Beatrix Ewart and Florence Robinson

Year 6 - Faye Mitchell and Riley Smith

Deputy Headteacher Award - Ellery Gardner

Kindness Award - Katie Tebay

Lunchtime Awards - Florence Robinson, Scarlett Creasey and Pippa Millwood

Attendance - Reception Housepoints - Danes

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Reception - Callie-Mae Blythe and Alfred Ewart

Year 1 - Xander Eaves and Toby Yiannaki

Year 2 - Liam Breathnacht and Kyra Rose

Year 3 - Ryan Whitham and Xhensila Kolai

Year 4 - Amelia Booth and Joey Garrett

Year 5 - Katie Mayall-Buckley and Jack Wilson

Year 6 - Ada Carter and Autumn Standaloft

Headteacher Award - The Whole School, staff and volunteers

Deputy Headteacher Award - Ellie Chapman and Archie Tupman

Lunchtime Awards - Jasmine Bramley and Roman Bramley

Kindness Award - Mila Kaluznyj

Attendance - Year 2 Housepoints - Normans

## **Meeting Deadlines**

I have been asked by the Office staff to remind you all about meeting deadlines for returns of information and payments. We have had a lot of parents requesting that Parentmail is opened again because they have forgotten to pay or because their child has changed their mind about something in school. Although this may seem an easy process to you, the Office staff are having to spend a great deal of time sorting these things out again.

Therefore, we kindly request that you read Parentmail letters on a regular basis and try as hard as possible to meet the deadlines given. If these are not met, it may mean that your child may miss out on something that they would like to take part in in school.

Many thanks for your support with this.

#### **Congratulations**

Soraya in Year 3 entered a Dance Competition recently with over fifty children in her age category and was awarded the following:

2nd - Tap - Age 6-7 5th - Modern - Age 6-7 6th - Ballet - Age 6-7



These are amazing results Soraya - I am so proud of you.





# **The Grand Theatre Pantomime**

What an amazing time we all had at the Aladdin Pantomime yesterday. The children were so well behaved and joined in in all the right places! It was so lovely to see all their faces enjoying the entertainment.

Well done to Rhys, Rueben and Robyn in Year 3 and Lily in Year 2 for getting on stage and taking part so confidently with Steve Royale - I was so proud of you all! Thank you also to the staff and the many volunteers I recruited for this trip out. You were all totally amazing!







#### **A Reminder Please**

Information has been sent through to schools this week from UKHSA North West regarding the return of children to schools following diarrhoea and vomiting and the way we can all help to keep this at bay during the winter period. Their advice is as follows:

Anyone who has symptoms of diarrhoea/vomiting should be reminded of the following:

- Make sure you wash and dry your hands often and thoroughly, with soap and warm water.
- Good hand hygiene whether you have symptoms of diarrhoea or not is important to reduce your risk of catching it – and other viruses around in the winter.
- Don't rely on alcohol hand gels alone, handwashing is very important.
- Be especially careful to wash your hands after using the toilet or before touching food.
- Wash hands thoroughly with liquid soap and running water (not hand sanitiser) after using the toilet or helping others including changing nappies;
- Handling raw meat; before meals; and after contact with animals.
- Adults who have false nails should pay particular attention to cleaning these thoroughly.
- Young children should be supervised to thoroughly wash their hands after using the toilet.
- Clean hard surfaces including toilet bowls, flush handles, taps and hand basins regularly with hot soapy water followed by a disinfectant/sanitiser.

It is very important that children or adults with symptoms of vomiting and/or diarrhoea should stay off from work and childcare settings for 48 hours after the symptoms have stopped. They should also not visit vulnerable family or friends, especially people in hospitals or care homes. This is important to minimise any possible spread on infection to others.

# Let's try to keep each other safe and well!

#### Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

Thank you to everyone on Friends of Baines for organising the Christmas Fair this week. As always, this was a huge success and that was down to the people who made it happen and spent a great deal of time organising everything so that it ran so smoothly on the day.

Thank you also to the children and parents for

supporting this event in order to raise money for trips out and resources, which all go towards benefitting your child even more!

#### **School Car Park**

Please could I remind parents that the school car park is for staff only at all times. Please do not park in here to drop children off or collect at any time of the day, including for Early Bidrs or JBs. This is for Health and Safety reasons as we have a strict Risk Assessment to adhere too.

Many thanks for your understanding.