

Newsletter



Autumn Term

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Dear Parents/Carers

It is hard to believe that we are almost at the end of a very busy term and our festive preparations are well underway. The children have been working really hard with end of term 'quizzes', showing us how much they have learned this term. We really appreciate your support at home with reading and homework; this partnership working makes such a difference to the children's confidence and attitudes-Thank you.

Could I please ask you to check that your child's clothing is all named so that if anything is lost in school we are able to return it to the correct owner.

Thank you very much for your kind donations for our festive hampers-we will be selling tickets at our concerts. The children have been practising their songs and carols in preparation for our Christmas productions; we are looking forward to seeing you all at one of the performances.

Important safeguarding request-if you are sending an older sibling to collect any child from school please call the office to notify us. It is essential that, as parents, you take responsibility for this decision.

Many thanks

Karen Headland

Diary Dates

12th December—Last after school
Multi Sports club 3.30-4.30pm

13th December— School Christmas
dinner day

18th December—Christmas play/concerts see below
for times:

Hedgehogs –Singing in Cotton End Baptist Church at
10.30am

Rabbits & Squirrels –Play in the school hall at 2pm

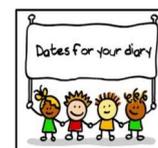
Badgers & Otters– Concert in the school hall at 3pm
and 6pm

19th December—Christmas parties and wear your
Christmas jumper day (no fee payable)

19th December—Last day of Autumn term

2nd January—Teacher training day school closed to
all pupils

3rd January—First day of Spring term back to school
for all pupils



Important information

Please note if we have to evacuate the school for any reason the children will be taken to Cotton End Baptist Church. We will then call you to collect the children if it is not safe to re-enter the school. Thank you.

Attendance

Well done to Rabbits this week for their attendance of 98.7% and to Rabbits last week with 98% attendance. Well done . Attendance target for the whole school is 98% currently the whole school's attendance is 96.6%.



Parking

Can we reminder you **not** to park on the yellow zig zag lines outside school when dropping off and picking up children. This is dangerous to both parents and children. The Bell or Church car park is for you to use for parking. Thank you.

Nut Allergies

Can we remind you not to send nuts into school with your child under any circumstances. We have children in school with severe nut allergies. Thank you for your support.



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This Newsletter's Values Awards!

This weeks awards go to : Nellie, Shakiyah, Rosie W, Mason, Willow, Ruby, Holly, Preston. Well done.



Envelopes

Can we remind you that all money being sent into school needs to come in a **sealed envelope** with your child's name, class, amount and what the money is for. It does not have to be in a money envelope any envelope will be fine providing it contains the above details. The school can no longer supply money envelopes, the supplier we used previously doesn't stock them anymore. Many thanks.



Preschool- 30 hour funding

Please can we remind you that you need to apply or if you have previously, to reapply for your 30 hour funding . If this is your first time applying you can apply from now, if you are reapplying this can be done between 1/12/17 & 18/12/17. If you have any queries the school can be on hand to help, but you do have up to 31/12/17. Please ensure you have applied otherwise you will not get your funding for the Spring term. We are aware that nationally some parents are experiencing issues when renewing, HMRC are aware and they will get in touch with those who are effected once the renewal process has been triggered by the parent. Many thanks.

Absences

If your child is going to be off school please ensure that you phone in to the office on **each day of their absence before 9.15am**. There is an option when you call in to leave a message on the answerphone, which is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week if you choose this option please state your child's name, class and reason for their absence. Alternatively you are more than welcome to phone in and speak to the office directly. Many Thanks.

Cold weather

Please can you ensure your child has in school on a daily basis a jumper/ cardigan, coat, hat, and a pair of gloves. The children need to be warm for outdoor play. Thank you.



Can we just remind you that any amendment or booking to before or after school club care needs to be made directly through Dawn til Dusk. We cannot book your child in please call them on **07833207070** or **01234 930505**.

Library Van

The last visit for this year is 13th December but due to this being Christmas dinner day we won't be going. Your child can take their books to the local library and change there if they wish. Many thanks.



Fundraising Update

Thank you to everyone who bought poppies, wristbands, etc we collected £169.70 as a school for the poppy appeal. Thank you for supporting them.



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