

Get set for Christmas!

Autumn Term 2018 no 2



Message from Mrs Carter, Head of School

Dear All,

This term has been a really busy one and has just flown by! With Christmas just a month away I thought I would take the opportunity to share some of our achievements and news from the term along with a summary of the times and dates for all our Christmas activities.

I hope you all managed to get in to see your child's class teacher on our parents evenings last week. If you weren't able to make it on the dates offered, do please make an appointment as soon as you can - we'd love to catch up with you!

To finish off we have some really exciting news to share ... In July we were very proud to announce that our year 6s achieved the best SATs results the school had ever seen. Now the national progress measures have been released and ...

Curledge Street is in the top 25% of all schools nationally for reading and writing and the top 5% of all schools for maths.

So a big well done and thank you goes to all our children, parents, carers and teachers - we are an awesome team!

Best wishes

Mrs V Carter

Lights, camera ... sing!



Christmas got underway on Friday when our choir sang Christmas carols at the turning on of the tree lights in Palace Avenue gardens. They were lucky enough to meet Father Christmas too!

Hurray for Pudsey!

BBC Radio Devon tweeted about their visit to us! They heard all about our School Council's efforts to raise money for Children in Need so sent Pudsey along to meet them. Our duck race, name the bear competition and the bring and buy sale raised over

£500

A Curledge Street record!



Harvest Giving

Our Early Years department celebrated harvest with songs and activities. They collected produce for The Haven. The Haven-Torbay provides a safe and welcoming space for all homeless and vulnerable people regardless of background, faith, race, gender or age in the centre of Paignton.



More giving!

We've also had a lovely thank you letter from



for our recent clothes donation.

We donated our old school uniform which has been allocated towards their work in Lira, Uganda. The uniform will be distributed to schools and children where there is extreme poverty and much need.

Our next fundraising event for our Opportunities Fund will be our



on Thursday 13th December at 3.15pm.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

Our new Community Colours Award



Many of you will be aware that we celebrate children who go above and beyond in Sport and the Arts by awarding them 'colours'. These are small circular, enamel badges in either red or yellow (depending on the area of excellence), that children wear as part of their uniform. They also have their name, photograph and achievement shared on our colours boards in the school hall.

This year we have decided to introduce a new colours award for service to the community both within school and beyond our gates.

This will recognise children who willingly represent our school at community events such as Remembrance Day, who engage in fundraising for worthy causes independently of school events, who engage in volunteering and who work for the good of others within school.

I am very much looking forward to being able to present this award to our community champions!



10.30am Cuttlefish, Guillemots & Jellyfish
2pm Dolphins, Kittiwakes & Lobsters
18th Phase 3 (years 4-6) Christmas Performance @ 2pm Paignton Methodist Church (arrive for 1.40pm)
19th - Phase 2 Christmas production (tickets required)
10.30am Dolphins, Kittiwakes & Lobsters
2pm Cuttlefish, Guillemots & Jellyfish
20th - Phase 2 classes Christmas parties
21st - Close for Christmas @ 2pm

January

7th - School re-opens
14th - After school clubs commence
15th - Reception places application submission deadline



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