



Beer C of E Primary School

Friday Flier - 14



Friday 15th December 2017

Executive Headteacher: Miss Rebecca Porter

Chair of Governors: Mrs Jean Smith

COMING UP	
Tuesday 19 th December	Classes 3 & 4 Christmas Parties
Wednesday 20 th December	Carol Service at St Michael's Church, 2.30pm & last day of term PLEASE COLLECT CHILDREN FROM CHURCH AT 3.15PM
Wednesday 3 rd January 2018	Non-pupil day
Thursday 4 th January 2018	Children return to school

A message from Miss Porter & Mr Evans:

The highlight of the past two weeks has to be the Christmas performance. It has been great to see the range of talents the children have and it is a delight to hear the children singing. We have some great thespians in school and it is performances like these that allow their characters to shine through! If you were able to join us, we hope you enjoyed the performances. We would like to thank the children and staff for their hard work and dedication to bring the performance together! In addition, a performance like that doesn't come together without the support of the children, parents, staff, the volunteers that kindly give their time to help with costumes and scenery and the PTFA who provide refreshments for the performance. Thank you to all those who have contributed and helped to make it so enjoyable; we certainly smiled all the way through and hope you did too!

Next week, we have the carol service (incorporating the nativity) to look forward to, where our reception children take centre stage. We're sure it will be a fitting end to the term.

With best wishes for a relaxing weekend – we have some last minute shopping to do as it is just registering that there are now only 10 days until Christmas!

Miss Porter & Mr Evans

Thank You Certificates

Congratulations to the following children:

Class 1: Emerald Black for being helpful without being asked, **Ava Jennings** for improved listening skills and focus and **Dougie Hawker** for trying hard in phonics, particularly when practising handwriting. To all of **Class 1** for their enthusiasm and hard work this term and particularly at this busy and exciting time of year.

Class 2: Rowan Manville for his positive approach to everything he is asked to do, **Fenn Jackson** for working hard to say his words for the Carol Service, **Payton Whale** for his mature approach to his independent piece of writing and **all of Class 2** for working so hard to prepare for the Medieval Dance and the Carol Service.

Class 3: Anthony Parkinson, Lily Bowker, Harley Jackson, Laila Hoskings, Oliver Smith, Myia Hiscox and Darcie May Green for their fantastic team work and quality of their 'Astonishing Animal Antarctic Guide', **Esme Gough** for overcoming her fears and speaking on stage, you were brilliant and **Silas Moore** and **Reuben Hartnell** for earning a class marble as secret student. Congratulations to **Myia Hiscox** and **Luke Flannigan** for moving up to the next spelling list.

Class 4: Sienna Arbourne for being a fantastic help during the Christmas play and **Isabella Green** for having such a positive attitude towards her work.



Thank yous from MTAs to: Lulu Thomson for being such a kind and caring person, **Hope Redding, Daisy Somers, Billy Fowler, Jake Taylor** and **Kyla Silva-Shaw** for being excellent playground leaders, **Corey Pritchard** for doing the shed when other playground leaders are away and **Leo Gribble** for producing brilliant signs for the equipment buckets.

Star Writer: Silas Moore

THE CHILDREN'S WEEK

Class 1 have been very busy this week practising our medieval dancing and rehearsing for the Carol Service with class 2. Lots of hard work and great cooperative skills have been shown and we are looking forward to both events. We have continued learning about the Christmas story. Reception have drawn a picture and have thought about which part of the story is special to them. Year 1 have completed end of term Maths assessments and have continued to learn about subtraction. In between, we managed to make party hats for our Christmas lunch and have started our Christmas cards.

Class 2 has had a very busy week with Class 1; preparing for our medieval dancing and the Christmas Carol Service. The children have worked hard to learn the steps of the dance and have worked really well in pairs and as a team. For the Carol Service they have rehearsed narrations, practised carols and been very supportive to others. As well as this the children have made Christmas cards and tree decorations to bring home next week. Year 1 have completed Christmas Maths activities, whilst Year 2 have been working on an independent writing activity with a set criteria for successful writing. In R.E. the children have been examining the story of the birth of Jesus.

Class 3: The children have worked really hard this week to finish their outstanding Antarctica books. I think they surprised themselves with the final product. In Maths, they have been investigating the similarities and patterns between times tables, especially the 3's and 6's.

Class 4: The week began with another fantastic performance by the children in our Christmas play. They certainly put us all in the festive spirit and have all worked very hard; they should be very proud of themselves! Apart from Christmas, the children have been writing diary extracts charting Robert Falcon Scott's ill-fated expedition to the South Pole. They have researched and compared the different routes and preparation that Scott and Amundsen went through on their journeys and used the information to write their diary extracts. In Maths, Year 6's have been adding and subtracting fractions whilst Year 5 have been learning about multiples, factors and prime numbers. With Christmas dinner and preparation for the Carol Service, it has been another fun-packed week. Happy Christmas to you all and thank you for your help and support this term.

PTFA

Christmas Fete

This year's fete raised over £750 for the PTFA, as well as £115 for Puffins. Thank you to everyone who came along and supported our event, we hope you all had a super festive time. We would also like to thank 'Bayview Tea Rooms' for providing the chocolate tombola, 'Kenworthy & Arbourne Building and Construction' for the donation of the raffle hamper and 'Colyford Butchers' for the voucher when guessing the name of the turkey (who was called Perky!)



School Play Raffles

The hamper raffles (along with sale of teas and coffees etc.) at the school plays raised an amazing, record-breaking £600.90!

We would like to thank everyone who bought tickets for your generosity and to all of you for the fabulous donations that enabled us to make so many gorgeous hampers.

Our Christmas fundraising has exceeded all of our expectations and has set us well on our way towards our £10,000 target for this year. We will keep you updated in 2018 with further fundraising plans. In the meantime, please contact us or the school if you have any ideas or can help us in any way.

Your support is vital and we cannot do any of this without your help so 'Thank you' again and we hope you have a fabulous Christmas and New Year.

Bethlehem the Musical - report by Anna Wolfreys - year 5

On Friday 8th and Monday 11th December, Beer Primary performed 'Bethlehem the Musical', an original nativity with a modern twist. The audience was dazzled at the children's enthusiasm and determination to make the performance perfect.

Mary and Joseph's duet with Martha and Caleb was incredible. Class 1 wowed the audience with their beautiful star dance while Clara delivered an amazing solo. One funny moment was when one of the children had eaten one of the props and when she goes to say her line, she was still chewing! Another funny moment was when Gran (played by Theo) was looking for some holiday romance!

A big thank you to Steve (and Mandy) as this is his 20th year helping with the school play!



Reminders / Notices

Class Parties

Classes 1 and 2 have enjoyed their party this afternoon (write up and photos to follow next week).

Classes 3 and 4 will have their party on **Tuesday 19th December**. If you have not already done so, please sign up for your food contribution on the classroom door. Class 3 will be gathering sweet food and class 4 will be collecting savoury food. We will provide the drinks and entertainment - **No party clothes needed.**

Winning House - 'Andrew' (blue house) - non-uniform day - Tuesday 19th December

As a reward for achieving the most house points this term, Andrew house (blue) may come to school on Tuesday in non-uniform.

Classes 1 and 2 - please bring in NAMED carrier bags next week take home Christmas pictures/crafts.

Carol service – please can Year 1 have a hat and scarf to wear as part of the performance.

DVDs on the last day of term

The children will vote on either watching 'The Magic Snowflake', 'Bob's Sleigh' or 'I'll be home for Christmas' (all U certificates) on Wednesday morning or they can do Christmas craft activities.

Clubs Next Week

There will be NO clubs next week, except Breakfast Club, which will run on Tuesday as normal and Teatime Club, which will run on Monday and Tuesday ONLY.

West Country School Music lessons recommence on Thursday 4th January 2018.

Other clubs will recommence in the first full week of the Spring Term, e.g. week commencing Monday 8th January 2018.

Classes 1 and 2 - REQUESTS

For our topic next term, we would appreciate donations of any of the following items:

Farm animals, vehicles, buildings, British wild animals – plastic/rubber toys, Minibeasts – rubber/plastic toys, wellies – for up to Year 2, waterproof trousers/jackets, anything linked to The Owl and the Pussycat/Owl Babies/The Hungry Caterpillar, flower presses and jigsaws/books linked to any of the above.

JM DanceFit Zumba Classes

Book NOW for January

KIDS HAVE FUN & IMPROVE FITNESS & CONFIDENCE LEVELS

New children are welcome to join after the Christmas break.

***Every Friday* RECOMMENCING January 5th 2018**

3.30pm - 4.15pm Beer Little & Junior Starz (4-11yr olds) in hall.

Spring Term Class Dates: January 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, February 2nd, 9th, 23rd, March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd.

Total Spring Term Class Fee: £44 (£4 per class x 11 classes) Cash payments to be provided in a named, sealed envelope no later than the child's first class.

If you would like to book your child a place, please contact Johanna directly on 07739518587 or at johanna@jmdancefit.co.uk



Christmas Lunch - Thursday 14th December

The children all enjoyed their Christmas lunch yesterday, served to them at the table by staff. They all sat together in the hall in one sitting, with crackers and Christmas music. There was a very festive atmosphere and it was a pleasure to see Linda and Viv, who used to work as MTAs, who popped in to help out for the occasion!



Thank you for your continued support,

The Beer Staff Team

Community Events & Notices

Papercrafting Workshop - Saturday 16 December - Thelma Hulbert Gallery (THG), Honiton

Drop in anytime between 11am and 3pm

Join artist Kathy Norris to create Christmas decorations out of paper. Create your own festive mobiles, garlands inspired by the simplicity of Scandinavian design. There will be something for all ages.

Materials provided, just bring your festive spirit! *Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Suggested donation £2/child.* www.thelmahulbert.com Tel: 01404 45006.

Christingle Service - St Michael's Church - Sunday 17th December - 4.30pm

Everyone is welcome to attend this service. There will be a 'scratch' nativity' - children encouraged to come dressed as their favourite nativity character.

St Peters Football & Netball Camp - Friday 22nd December 2017 - 10am - 3pm

Drop off 9.30am/pick up 3.30pm. £20 per person, no experience necessary. Open to ages 7-13. At St Peter's Prep School, Harefield, Lymptone, Exmouth, EX8 5AU. For booking or for further information, please contact Milo Reynolds

milo.reynolds@stpetersprepschool.co.uk or 07535 275541. All bookings must be made before Tuesday 19th December.

Helping Seaton Foodbank this Christmas - Reverse Advent Calendar

Join the reverse advent calendar again this year - each day you add an item to the box and on Christmas Eve you donate the contents to a foodbank. We will be there to welcome you and your gifts at No 1, Harepath Road on Wednesday 20th December between 2.00 - 4.00pm with a hot drink, mince pie and a chat. If you have difficulty in bringing your gift, please phone Stephen Page on 01297 24796 to arrange collection. Please remember that the food you give will be distributed after Christmas. Thank you.

Saints Southwest Soccer Schools

Saints Southwest Soccer Schools are running Soccer Schools during the Christmas Holidays with ALL Soccer Schools JUST £7.50 for a full course, 10am-3pm! Courses running in Paignton, Ottery St Mary, Plymouth, Langport, Taunton, Newton Abbot & Okehampton. Ages 7-12 can attend 10am-3pm. Ages 4-6 can attend 1.30pm-3pm.

To BOOK please visit www.saintssouthwest.co.uk or call 01803 206350.

Axminster Town Cricket Club Colts - Winter Training Sessions 2018 - £3.50 per session

Sundays: 28th January, 25th February, 25th March.

UNDER 10S 3PM - 4PM. AGE 10+ 4PM - 5PM. LED SPORTS CENTRE, AXMINSTER.

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