

9th December

Tuesday 13th December

9.45am Carol Service at St. Nicholas Church
Year 1/2 Christmas production Performance 6pm

Wednesday 14th December

Year 1/2 Christmas production Performance 9.30am

Thursday 15th December

PM - Children's Christmas Party

Friday 16th December

Children's Christmas lunch

Children return to school on Wednesday 4th January 2017

Wednesday 25th January

Reception Heights & Weights

Tuesday 7th February

Reception Chinese New Year Celebrations - parents invited 2.15pm

Tuesday 7th February

Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 14th February

Braiswick Photographic

20th–24th February Half Term

Wednesday 1st March

Year 6 SATs Information Meeting 3.30pm

Thursday 2nd March

Year 2 SATs Information Meeting 2.40pm

Tuesday 7th & 8th March

Parents Evenings 4-7 pm

**Next Newsletter:
Friday 13th January**

Snow Closure

The main way to communicate snow closures will be via text message, so it is vital that we have your latest numbers on our system. Please contact the office if your mobile number has changed.

Poppy Appeal

School collected £329.16. Many thanks to all the children and their families for their generosity.

Reminder Tuesday 13th Dec 9.45 am Carol Service at St Nicholas Church - Birthdays from 3rd Dec to end of Dec will be celebrated during the carol service. Unfortunately due to space restrictions at the church we are only able to invite parents whose children's birthdays are being celebrated.

St Nicholas Night Tuesday 6th December

Another fantastic evening! The choir started the evening off by singing a selection of Christmas carols. This was followed later by our own boy bishop and lady attendants parading up the high street. Thank you for all the donations of chocolates. Special thanks to Mrs Howl and Mrs Godwin for supporting the children and to the Friends for running the tombola stall.



Choir

As well as singing at St Nicholas Night the Choir have performed at Coughton Court's Winter Festival and also at Ragley Hall this month. Coughton Court contacted me to say they had had some lovely comments from the public. Thank you to the parents for helping with transport and Mrs Godwin for supporting them.



Breakfast Club

This will continue next term with the current children already booked on. This new system is very successful and works much better. Unfortunately there are no spaces at the moment. Invoices will be sent out in January for the first half of the Spring Term to be paid by 20th January.

Christmas Performances

Well done to Reception and Nursery for two wonderful performances this week. We look forward to Year 1&2 who will be performing next week. Unfortunately there are no spare tickets for either performance. Thank you to all the staff who have supported the children with their performances. Thank you to the Friends for providing refreshments.



Xmas Grotto - Many thanks to the Friends for organising another successful grotto.



After School Clubs

All after school clubs have finished for this term. Information on clubs for the

Spring term will be sent home in January.

Next week in school:

We have altered the lunch menu for Wednesday 14th December.

Red choice of menu will now be chicken nuggets and chips.

Green choice, no change Cheesy Pasta Bake.

Blue choice, no change Tuna & Cucumber Wrap.

There will not be any outdoor sport or swimming next week. Your child therefore will not need to bring their PPA or swimming kits to school.

Thurs 15th December Children's Christmas Party

There will be a visit from Father Christmas and children can wear party clothes to school. Children do not need a packed lunch for dinner time and no school lunches will be served. Your child's class teacher will be organising which party food your child needs to bring in. Junior children will also need to bring in a non-fizzy drink and a snack for break time as toast will not be available.

Reminder - Children's Christmas Lunch is next Friday 16th December.

School breaks up for Christmas next Friday 16th December. Children return to school Wednesday 4th January.

As this will be the last newsletter before Christmas, all of the staff and Governors at St Nicholas Church of England Primary School, wish you a very happy Christmas and an enjoyable New Year.

**Mrs Karen O'Shea
Head of School**

Medication

As we approach winter, the number of sickness bugs and illnesses increases. As a result, we are having more children requiring medication during the school day. The school is very happy to administer recently prescribed medication to children, please complete a consent form available from the office. Unfortunately we are not able to administer 'over the counter' medication.

Is my child too ill for school?

When your child is unwell, it can be hard deciding whether to keep them off school. These simple guidelines found on the NHS website should help.

<http://www.nhs.uk/Livewell/Yourchildatschool/Pages/Illness.aspx>

Forest School Spring Term

Next term we will be continuing with our programme of Forest School for Years 3 and 5. The sessions will be as follows:

- 3H Monday afternoon.
- 3W Tuesday afternoon.
- 5J Wednesday afternoon.
- 5D Thursday afternoon.

Letters with full details will be sent home with the children next week.



Panto - we had two wonderful performances of Cinderella, which were generously funded by the Friends of St Nicholas, for the children today.



Today all of our school watched a Christmas Pantomime of Cinderella. Two people named Georgia and Cameron performed to us and added a funny twist to the story. The fairy Godmother was portrayed as the 'Magical Dogfather' and while still keeping with the traditional story he made everyone laugh. It was extremely interactive and really funny, I think everyone enjoyed it.

By Heidi Year 6