NEWSLETTER 16 December 2016 This week at Fair Furlong



To all our children and families,

We wish you all a very merry Christmas and hope you enjoy a peaceful and restful break over the holiday. On behalf of all the staff we would like to say a big thank you for all the kind gifts and good wishes we've received. These are certainly not expected but very much appreciated by all. The school staff are back in school on Tuesday 3rd



January and all the children are back on WEDNESDAY 4[™] JANUARY!

Please remember full school uniform, book bags and PE kits all needed on the first day. Many best wishes for the New Year and look forward to seeing you all on the 4th.

From Miss Drew and all the team.

Carol Singing at B&M - The children had great fun carol singing at B&M Bargains this week. Some children from every year group came along with their festive hats and festive smiles to help raise a great amount of money for our school. The children did a great job and they were a pleasure to take. Thank you very much to those parents who came to support the school and also a huge thank you to those of you who kindly donated. They raised

a massive £450.90!! which will go towards music lessons and musical instruments for the children.





Walk to School with Santa - Many thanks to the 254 children and families that joined us on Wednesday for walk to school with Santa.

Special thanks to Santa for giving us his precious time to join us Ho!

Ho! Ho!





Wallace & Gramit Appeal - The children and staff paid £1 on



Wednesday to wear their Christmas jumpers to school. We raised £334.00 for the Wallace & Gromit appeal!! This is a fantastic amount and we'd like to thank everyone who donated to this worthy cause. We saw a brilliant variety of

jumpers and hats!





Raffle - As you know we have been selling raffle tickets over the last



few weeks to raise money for the school. We had a huge amount of lovely prizes donated by local businesses, parents and staff. The raffle raised a whopping £428.00 that will go towards curriculum enrichment. Here are our lucky winners.

Christmas Lunch - The kitchen staff did an amazing job with our Christmas lunch, it was delicious and everyone thoroughly enjoyed it, singing along to Christmas songs as they ate.

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Carols at Murford Avenue Nursing
Home - On Thursday afternoon a
choir of Y4/5/6 children entertained
the residents of Murford Avenue with
their repertoire of Christmas carols.
The children sang beautifully and
brought smiles to many faces.





Unique Voice Performance - Unique Voice Theatre Company put on a show which focused on the content of Christmas adverts. They put one together with the help of their audience and staff members dressed up as snowmen.

Breakfast Club - Today breakfast club enjoyed a variety of French cuisine. This



included
pain au
chocolat
which was a
massive hit
with the
children!





A Christmas poem written by Fingal's Cave

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Rudolph



An orange carrot eater, a dark sky whizzer

A bright light leader, a wooden sleigh carrier

A huge present giver, a loud bell ringer

A red nose shiner, a wooden sleigh rider

A strong sleigh puller

AWARDS Vouchers for reading four times per week: Rosie James; Alfie
Baldwin; Joseph Marks; Beau Lilley; Oliver Delaney; Kaden-Ronnie
Nelson; Lewis Bateman; April Kissoon; Summer Baker; Tanner Havard;
Callum Paget; Lily Brace; Crystal Sunil; Mitchell Plant. Bronze Awards:
Keira O'Conner; Cruz Skinner; Harrison Weber; Rylie Dumphy; Cooper
Wiltshire; Lily Watts; Beau Lilley Homework Heroes: Jake Phillips; Aditi Nair;
Emmie Ball; Zack Phillips; Eleanor Holden. Lunchtime Legends: Forest of Dean
Out of School Achievements: Keigan Harding; Beau Lilley for football; Brooke
Spicer for gymnastics; Alfie Harcom for boxing

Merit awards awarded for outstanding achievement for this term:



Enthusiasm: Tilly White; Mason Winstone; Lilly-May Davis;

Heaven-Leah Young; Riley Tolliver

Challenge: Harry Blackmore; Brooke Watson; Skye Smith; Molly

Powell; Lola Hancock

Learning Together: Ruby May Talbot; Jayden Owen Trust: Chloe Summers; Ethan Macleod; Jayden Pearce

Respect: Kaleb Barnes

Menu for the week beginning 2nd January 2017 - Week 2

Monday: Spaghetti Bolognaise : Vegetable Lasagne : Salad Bar

Tuesday: Roast Turkey & Roast Pots : Vegetable Loaf & Roast Pots

Wednesday: Beefburger in a Bun : Veggie Burger : Salad Bar

Thursday: Gamman & Roast pots : Vegetable Fajitas

Friday: Fish Fingers & Chips: Vegetable Pie & Chips: Salad Bar



French Phrase of the week - KS1 & KS2



Have a go speaking in French at home! It doesn't matter how you sound, just try! These phrases are linked to the time of year or topics in school.

Joyeux Noël - Merry Christmas

Attendance - This week the children who have had 95% attendance or more for terms 1&2 received a well done sticker.



In addition these children were awarded certificates and a small prize for having 100% attendance so far this year. Well done everyone involved!



MATHS DAYS - 4th, 5th and 6th January

Exhibition - 6th January 2pm to 3pm

When we come back in January, we will kick straight off with three fun maths days. The children will engage in fun and exciting activities and investigations



involving shape and fractions. Fair Furlong children love maths and their work will be ready for you to look round on Friday afternoon in the exhibition. This will involve animations, art, mathematical problems and some unanswered questions the children would like to explore further. We would love to see as many of you there as possible so they can share their learning with you.

Singing around the piano - All the children and staff enjoyed singing Christmas songs around the piano. Everyone sang beautifully and loudly and it was a lovely way to end the term.





DATES FOR 2016/2017

Tuesday 3 January Wednesday 4 January

4*, 5*, 6* January Friday 13 January Friday 20 January Friday 27 January

Friday 10 February Friday 10 February Monday 20 February

14, 21 31 March

Thursday 2. March

15 * & 16 * March

·Wednesday 29. March Thursday 30" march

5, 6, 7, April Friday 7 April

Monday 24 April

Monday 8--Friday 12- May Y6 SATs

Friday 26 May

Monday 5 June Thursday 20 July closed to pupils)

<u>Inset Day – school closed for children</u>

Term 3 starts Maths Days

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Stonehenge class assembly

Brighton Pier class assembly Fingal's Cave class assembly

Breakfast Club - Canadian day

Last day of Term 3

Term 4 starts

Book Days

Bedtime Stories

Parents Evenings

Y2&3 Performance 9.15.am Y2&3 Performance 5.00pm

Y3 Barton camp Last day of Term 4

Term 5 starts

Last day of Term 5

Term 6 starts

Last day of Term 6 (Friday 21 July Inset Day - school

NSPCC PANTS Campaign

At the moment there is a lot of concern about cases of abuse emerging from Gruelty to children must stop. FULL STOP. different sports clubs and particularly football. We have also had a couple of

local cases of actual or attempted sexual abuse / grooming on the estate. Therefore we have been asked what else we can do to make sure our children are well equipped to protect themselves and how we can support parents and families with discussing these issues appropriately.

. We have been exploring the materials from the NSPCC and particularly the PANTS programme that comes very highly recommended. In the spring we will be introducing these materials across the school and holding some parent information sessions. However you may want to have a look for yourselves and you can access the information through this

link: https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-childrensafe/underwear-rule/

Useful Information:

First Response - Are you a parent who needs support with a difficult issue, from your child's behaviour to a problem related to domestic abuse? Are you a young person who needs to talk to someone about things that are worrying you? worker_01179036444

Telephone number: 0117 9036444

BAVA - Bristol Against Violence and Abuse - This website provides information about different types of violence and abuse and support services that can help (e.g physically violence from a partner or relation, sexual abuse, gemale genital mutilation). There is also information on how to help others and how to raise awareness of violence and abuse. www.bava.org.uk

Pennywise - Who is the service for? Anyone aged 25+ who needs budgeting support; help to reduce bills; tools to better manage their money or ways to save. Their money mentors work across Bristol, seeing clients in their homes or the local area to work with them to increase their income and lower their expenditure. The project will give you practical skills and tools, and support you in feeling confident, that you are in control of your day to day finances and more able to manage through a crisis.

What services do they offer? I-2-I budgeting advice; help to increase financial confidence; reduce financial exclusion; help to reduce bills and ways to save; ensure people are getting full benefit entitlement and workshops and community events.

Referral route via their website http://www.pennywise.org.uk/ or via email pennywise@placesforpeople.co.uk or alternatively call their office on 0117 9704548.