

# NEWSLETTER

## 15 December 2017

### 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.

We have had an exciting couple of terms with lots of focussed learning but if you could spare a bit of time to read over the holidays that would be great! The school is open and all the children are back on WEDNESDAY 3RD JANUARY for our special STEM week when lots of exciting engineering activities will be taking place.

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 3<sup>rd</sup>.

From Mrs Lang and the Fair Furlong team.

**Carol Singing at B&M** - On Monday, groups of children from Y2 to Y6 took part in a Carol Singing event at B&M (Imperial Retail Park). The children sang a range of traditional Christmas carols accompanied by bells. Thank you to all the school adults and parents/guardians who came to support us. It was lovely to see the smiles of customers in the retail park after listening to our beautiful singing. They raised a whopping £393.01, well done to everyone!

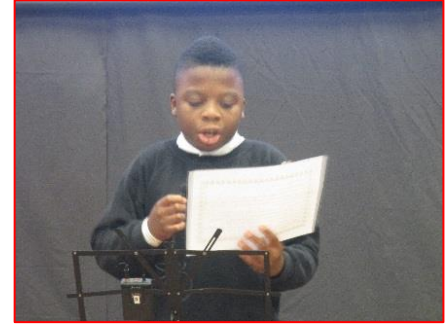


On Tuesday, a tuneless collection of our year six children made their way to Murford Avenue Nursing home to sing carols to some of the residents. The children sang beautifully and there was barely a dry eye left in the house!! We are very proud of the choir and very much enjoyed accompanying them.





**KS2 Carols** - It was nice to have so many parents join our KS2 children singing carols on Tuesday afternoon. We heard some beautiful readings from some of the children.



**Christmas Lunch** - We'd like to thank Jackie and the kitchen staff who all worked incredibly hard to prepare our Christmas dinner on Wednesday. I think everyone would agree that it was delicious! The children and staff all looked very festive in their Christmas jumpers.



**Walk to School with Santa** - Over 200 children joined Santa to walk to school on Thursday and enjoyed a special breakfast in the hall.



**After School Clubs** - T2 Climbing Club - Well done the children from Basil class who attended this club. Their confidence has improved massively over the term. Each week they were able to aim higher and bet their targets.



**Cooking Club** - The children enjoyed learning about sweet and savoury foods, how different vegetables are put into different foods. This week we made reindeer cakes for Christmas, they were very cute, almost too cute to eat!



After School clubs for T3 will begin on WEDNESDAY 3RD JANUARY

Thank you to all parents who came in and registered their child for an after school club place.

COOKING, ART & CRAFT, MUSIC & DANCE are all FULL but there are still a few places left for FOOTBALL,

DRAMA (Y2-Y6) BRILLIANT BODZ, GARDENING, ADVENTURE, CODE CLUB (Y3-Y6) and SPORTS CLUB. Please remember that if your child does not attend for 2 weeks in a row, without a valid reason, they will lose their place to people on the reserve lists. Thank you

Sorrel class have been working hard on Christmas Gift poems, here are a couple they'd like to share with you:

Christmas gift suggestions: by Cameron Hall

To my bird, my time.  
To my Mum, my love.  
To my Dad, five quiet minutes.  
To my friends, respect.  
To my Nan, the merriest Christmas of all.  
To my Grandad, a good nap.  
To myself, no more falling over.  
To my neighbour, no more shopping.  
To all teachers, a break.  
To my entire family, my heart.  
To all nature, new life.  
To life, less work.  
To all, 'A Good-night.'



Christmas gift suggestions: by Jake Tucker

To my mum, I will start tidying my room.  
To my dad, I will give you some peace.  
To my sister, I will leave you alone.  
To my pet, I will not push you around.  
To my nan, I will listen to your advice  
To my aunties, I will appreciate everywhere you take me.  
To my uncles, I will try not to annoy you.  
To my teachers, a massive break.  
To my family, respect.  
To all, a lovely life.







The cracker sale was a huge success! A massive thank you to all the families who made crackers, we had over 500 made! The sale raised £296.00 that will be put towards school trips. Thank you

Menu for the week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 - Week 2:

Monday: Beefburger & wedges : Tortilla stack & wedges : Salad bar

Tuesday: Roast turkey : Mixed vegetable loaf

Wednesday: Spaghetti bolognaise : Quorn bolognaise : Salad bar

Thursday: Roast chicken : Creamy vegetable pie

Friday: Fish fingers & chips : Cheese & tomato quiche : Salad bar

Merit awards awarded for outstanding achievement throughout term 2:



Enthusiasm: Tyler Hobbs; Poppy Watts; Riley Jones; Jake Whitfield; Cameron Swatton; Layla-Rae Rudge; Kayden-Ronnie Nelson; Evie O'Connor

Challenge: Amelia-Rae Mansie

Respect: Mitchell Lewis; Jack Munford

Learning Together: Aaron Calder; Millie James; Connie Bradley

Trust: Josh Trotter; Zosia Radziewicz

Attendance -

KS1 Position	Class	% Attendance	KS2 Position		Class	% Attendance
1 <sup>st</sup>	Sage	97.9%	1 <sup>st</sup>		Cinnamon	100%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Urfa	96%	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Thyme	98.7%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nigella	96%	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Basil	97.9%
4 <sup>th</sup>	Fennel	94.7%	4 <sup>th</sup>		Nutmeg	96.8%
5 <sup>th</sup>	Juniper	94.3%	5 <sup>th</sup>		Star Anise	96%
6 <sup>th</sup>	Parsley	91.3%	6 <sup>th</sup>		Sorrel	94.2%
			7 <sup>th</sup>		Black Pepper	92.7%
			8 <sup>th</sup>		Hibiscus	92.1%

Attendance	Comment
99% - 100%	Outstanding
97% - 98%	Excellent
95% - 96%	Great (School attendance target is 95%)
93% - 94%	Satisfactory
Less than 93%	Must do better

Classopoly winners this week: Urfa Class 'Surprise prize' & Thyme class '10 mins extra play'. Well done!

Here are the children that have managed to come to school every day in terms 1 & 2 and so have 100% attendance, a massive thank you to all the families that make this possible, it's a great achievement, especially with all the bugs going around! Keep up the good work.

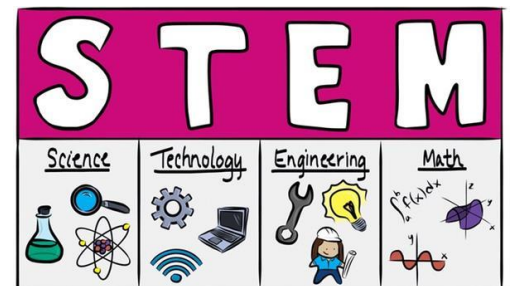


These children have achieved at least 95% attendance for terms 1&2, well done everyone, let's see if we can make 100% next term!



Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths Days  
- Wednesday 3 - Friday 5 January

When we return in January we will have 'Minion Mayhem'! This is a science, technology, engineering and maths project where we have to help the Minions on an adventure. Look out for pictures on the website and in the newsletters...



Last year's Year 6 took part in a comic workshop with Kevin Sutherland. He has chosen some of the work they created together to make into a calendar. Here is the link to the calendar if any parents would like to view it or buy it.

<https://tinyurl.com/comiccall8>





**AWARDS: Spelling Badges:** Kieron Harding; Leo Knowlson; Lily-Rae Smith-Chivers; Milo Powell; Poppy Jenkins; Rubie Rudge; Cody Bailes; Ella Hegarty; Layla Friend; Gija Paulauskaite; Amelia-Rose Shackell; Isabella Nolan; Ostin Delaney; Cora Money; Madalina Ghergel; Mia Gursztyn; Shayden Henry; Jessie Hall; Reggii Lilley; Tommy Lee McGauley; Ruby-Mae Mosby; Talia Thomas; Kaiden Bayley; Joseph Marks; Molly Powell; Zak Barnes; Kourtney Elliott; Zosia Radiewicz; Kyle Williams; Lily Watts; Grayson Wootten; Alanya Stone; Freddie Buxton; Ocean-Marie Hemmings; Archie Collins; Okhale Oziegbe; Nia Shaji; Millie James. **Maths Badges:** Blake Bayley; Chloe Daskiewicz-Saunders; Kourtney Elliot; Emmy White; Zosia Radiewicz; Mason Winstone; Ashleigh Gould; Lucy Baldwin; Mackenzie Claridge; Sam Campho-Smith; Maddison Grist; Alannah O'Connor; Archie Irwin; Ocean-Marie Hemmings; Archie Collins; Casey Iles; Layton Maynard; Owen Jones-Wring; Jake Jones; Molly Stewart; Sally Naser; Cameron Hall; Keira Smith; Kristofer Staynings; Minnie Workman; Jacob Cole; Lily-Grace Beacham. **Bronze Awards:** Lily-Rose Slane; **Readers of the term and received an Amazon voucher:** Ella Hegarty; Phoenix Coggins; Jake Whitfield; Deontae Temple; Laci Parsons; Riley Slane; Brook Spicer; Mitchell Phipps; Reece Marsh; Mariam Barrow; Freddie James; Ocean-Marie Hemmings; Minnie Workman **Lunchtime Legends:** Year 2 Juniper **Golden Good Manners Table** Shayden Henry; Neyasha Henry; Mitchell Lewis; Mickie George; Ashlee Neale

The winning parent drawn for coming to DEAR was Reece Boulton's mum, Ms Greenslade, who won an Amazon voucher.

### Dates for your Diary:

#### Term 3 (Mon 1 Bank Holiday, Tuesday 2 Inset, school closed)

Wednesday 3 January	Term 3 begins
Wednesday 3-5 January	Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths days
Monday 8 January	Y6 Sorrel class to Slimbridge
Wednesday 10 January	Y6 Cinnamon to Slimbridge
Friday 12 January	Black Pepper class assembly : 10.45am
Friday 19 January	Juniper class assembly : 10.45am
Friday 26 January	Sage class assembly : 10.45am
Friday 2 February	Fennel class assembly : 10.45am
Friday 9 February	End of term 3

#### Term 4

Monday 19 February	Term 4 begins
Wednesday 28 Feb -3 March	Book Days
Tuesday 13 March	Y2/3 Performance 9.00am
Wednesday 14 March	Y2/3 Performance 5.00pm
Wednesday 21-23 March	Y3 Barton Camp
Friday 23 March	End of term 4

#### Term 5

Monday 9 April	Term 5 begins
Monday 9 April	Art Day
Monday 14-18 May	Y6 SATs week
Friday 25 May	End of term 5

## Term 6

Monday 4 June

Monday 4-8 June

Friday 8 June

Monday 2 July

Tuesday 3 July

Wednesday 4 July

Tuesday 10 July

Wednesday 11 July

Tuesday 17 July

Friday 20 July

Monday 23 & Tuesday 24 Inset Days

Term 6 begins

Healthy & Safe week

Y6 Life Skills, Create Centre

Phase 3 Sports Morning

Phase 2 Sports Morning

Phase 1 Sports Morning

Phase 3 Performance, 9.00am

Phase 3 Performance, 5.00pm

Y6 Leavers Evening

Children's last day

Inset days for school year 17/18 - Tuesday 2 January, Monday 23 & Tuesday 24 July Friday 20 July last day of term



Letters Home: Y4 Camp Letters; Y6 Slimbridge Letters

**IMPORTANT!!!!** Applications for Reception 2018 - deadline for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 - Please make sure you complete an online application. If you require help the school office are available at any time.

[www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

BDP - Bristol Drugs Project - This website supports people who are currently tackling or supporting those who have drug or alcohol addiction. Supporting those coping with alcohol or drug problems can be a lonely place, the BDP can help you through this. [www.bdp.org.uk](http://www.bdp.org.uk)



Solar Panel update: To date they have produced 48,095kw of electricity, this is enough to run 7 school computers for 9,619 hours, or 401 days!!



*In your local area over the Christmas period:*

*Santa's Grotto at the Roundhouse, Crosscombe Drive, 16<sup>th</sup>  
December 12-3pm - To book a place visit or call The Hive,  
The Gatehouse Centre, 0117 9647228*

*Unique Voice, 'stay and play the Bristol way CHRISTMAS'  
- Games, craft activities, food & drink, face painting plus a visit from  
Santa!! - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December, The Gatehouse Centre.*

*Here is a beautiful poem written by Alannah O'Connor:*

*My Christmas Secret is made from:  
A laugh of a child, being so wild,  
The smell of the turkey, being placed in the oven,  
The band of crackers, and the clatter of hooves,  
The sound of Christmas carols, being sung by Aunt Margaret*

*I found my Christmas Secret:  
Locked in an icy cold box, with a crystal clear key,  
That shone like a million tiny stars,  
Its only flaw was a tiny ice cold tear,  
that broke into pieces, when the light hit the surface,  
After that smiles sprang onto people's faces, and  
Made their cries turn into laughs.*

*This Christmas secret can:  
Bend frowns into smiles,  
Make the darkest part of the world - the happiest place in the galaxy.*

*This Christmas secret can:  
Turn water into wine, let people walk on water  
Cook the Christmas dinner in seconds,  
Clean people's houses from top to bottom.*

*If I lost it...If I lost this Christmas Secret:  
Glass will shatter, ice will melt,  
The heart of the earth will turn to water  
The key will break...  
it will break my heart*

