



Dear Parents / Carers

**A Fabulous 7 days in school!** So much has happened and so much to come. Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Presentation this week was fantastic, Panto today, Winter Fayre, visit from Brick Kiln Place residents.....and the list goes on. What fun we have had. It is a lovely time to be in schools and with so much happening this year we are going to be busy right until the end of term. There are a couple of events to look out for so please note the dates below.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Celebration Assembly 9.10am.**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Endeavour Assembly 9.10am.**

### **Christmas/Winter Fayre**

Firstly, a huge thank you to all our loyal PTFA members who work tirelessly for the good of our children and the school. Friday's success was fabulous, total raised was £590.54 - absolutely brilliant. Santa's grotto looked magical as does the whole school. Thank you also to all our children, parents and staff who wholeheartedly supported this fund raising event.

### **FS/KS1 Christmas Presentation - "Children of the World"**



So much work goes into these presentations and the result is stupendous. The children have been practising for quite a few weeks now and the end result, as I am sure you will all agree, has been amazing. They are all stars! My grateful thanks once again goes to all the staff for producing such a presentation, the children for working so hard and parents for supporting with costumes, learning lines and getting them there on time.

### **Huntingtower's Choir Wows Walton**

Our best singers sang to a delighted audience on Friday at The Primary Schools' Choir Festival in the Walton Theatre. They were amongst a number of primary school, secondary

school and community choirs who sang a variety of Christmas themes.

Huntingtower's choir sang a very harmonious

"Merry

Christmas to

You" followed by a choral speaking piece from Allan Ahlberg called "Scissors. A lovely take of how a primary school teacher might go about finding a pair of scissors which may have been lost in the classroom.

Well done to all of the children involved and, of course, to the staff who ensured the performance was brilliant. As ever, Huntingtower was very well represented so thank you to the parents and family who went along. I know they all felt it was a great night.



### **Key Stage 2 Bang their own Drum!**

Classes throughout Key Stage 2 participated in Samba workshops and had a great time. They learned about team work, rhythm, Latin American culture and, not least, music. They all had a fantastic time.



## Build our own Plastic Bottle Greenhouse

We are going to make a plastic bottle greenhouse and need you all to save your 2 litre bottles. We will need 1,500 for a large sized greenhouse.

For the minute, please will you save these plastic bottles at home and we will let you know when you can bring them into school (washed thoroughly).



### Ofsted

To know how to enable your children to improve we need to know how good our teachers are, where our children are in terms of attainment and the progress they have made. Ofsted said; "Rigorous and extensive monitoring, searching analysis and self-challenge enable the school, together with its significant partners, to devise exceptionally well-focused plans. Actions taken by the school and, where relevant, its partners are implemented with precision and managed thoroughly. As a result, the quality of teaching is at least good and leaders and managers at all levels are taking highly effective steps to drive up the quality of teaching still further." We are completely committed to your children's progress.

### Brick Kiln Place residents visit the Christmas Show

We were delighted to be able to welcome residents from Brick Kiln Place to come and see the wonderful work of the Key Stage 1 and Foundation Stage children. They came to see their performance of "Children of the World" and thoroughly enjoyed it. We have struck quite a strong relationship with the residents from the top of Huntingtower Road and it is lovely to be able to share what we do in school and their memories of the past.

**PRIMARY APPLICATION PACKS for September 2012 - these packs are now available from the School Office.**

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2007 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2008 they will start school September 2012.

### FACEBOOK REMINDER

It has been drawn to my attention that video footage and still pictures of the Christmas performance have been posted on Facebook. Please can I remind you that we do not have consent for images to be posted by third parties on public spaces. If this continues then I am afraid we will not be able to allow video to be used. If you do post images then they should be edited to only show your child. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

### FUTURE DATES - all dates subject to confirmation

9<sup>th</sup> December - Pantomime - Peter Pan

13<sup>th</sup> December - KS1 and KS2 Choir -

Christmas in The George Centre and Asda

14<sup>th</sup> December - KS2 Christmas lunch/party

15<sup>th</sup> December - FS/KS1 Christmas lunch/party

16<sup>th</sup> December - Carol Service pm

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