

Dunmow St Mary's Primary School



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Dear Parents

School Target Awards

There were none due to the Carol Service.

YR, 1 and 2 Show and Carol Service

Well done to all the children for the excellent performances of The Nativity. The singing, dancing and acting was of a very high quality. Thank you as well to all the staff who worked so hard in preparing the children. Thank you also to the parents who supported our Carol Service in church and to the children who sang and gave readings. It was lovely to hear the school choir and the steel band performing.

Christmas Performances Y3, 4 and 5

Just a reminder about the performances next week:

- Monday 18th December 7.00pm – SOLD OUT!
- Tuesday 19th December 9.15am – please note that this is at 9.15am despite the programmes stating 9.30 am
- Tuesday 19th December 7.00pm – SOLD OUT!
- We have given out programmes for every chair in the hall so **if you arrive without your programme you will need to wait until everyone is seated** so we can be sure there is a seat for you. The programmes are colour coded and have the date on.
- Due to fire regulations and also because children move around the sides and back of the hall **people will need to remain seated and pushchairs and buggies will need to be left outside the hall.**
- You are welcome to take photos but please remember that these must not be uploaded to social media platforms.
- The school will be unlocked at 6.30pm and children should not arrive before then.

Christmas Dinner

An enormous thank you and well done to Mrs Tyrell and all of her team in the kitchen for preparing and serving around 430 fantastic Christmas dinners.

Non uniform Day

Wednesday 20th December will be a non uniform day as the children have their Christmas parties.

Parent Consultations

Please return your parent consultation reply slips by the end of term.

Parking

Please can everyone's New Year Resolution be to park considerately in High Stile, remembering not to park on yellow lines or to block residents' driveways, not to drive on the pavements and to keep speed to a safe level given that children are crossing the road.

Outside PE kit

Please can you make sure that children are sent to school with a black tracksuit for outside PE in the New Year? We will continue to have outside PE lessons unless the temperature is very low or it is raining, but children will need to be dressed appropriately. Children without warm clothing will not be able to participate. All PE kit should be named.

School meals

Could you please ensure all dinner money account debts are cleared before the end of term? You are reminded that should your arrears be in excess of £20 the provision of a school meal may be withdrawn. Any account queries regarding school meals should be addressed to the office.

If you would like to pay for school meals ahead of next term the cost will be £114. The cost up until half term is £56.

Events

Week commencing Monday 18th December	
Monday – 7pm	Y3-5 Christmas production
Tuesday – 9.15am	Y3-5 Christmas production
Tuesday – 7pm	Y3-5 Christmas production
Wednesday	Non-uniform day Christmas parties and last day of term
Week commencing Monday 1st January 2018	
Wednesday	Back to school

We hope you have a wonderful Christmas and New Year and we will see everyone back on **Wednesday 3rd January**. **Clubs will begin on Monday 8th January**. Please see the clubs list sent alongside this newsletter.

Yours sincerely

Clare Griffiths