

16th December 2022

Dear parents and carers,

Newsletter no 15

What a fabulous mix of Christmas and festive jumpers! A bit like Where's Wally, can you spot yourself in the crowd 😊?



As I said in the carol concert this morning, it is a goose bump kind of week, where we are so proud of all the children's achievements! The singing, playing and readings were delivered with joy and pride. Very well done to you all. Thank you also to Simon Evans for filming each of our nativity performances and this morning's concert. The links to the private YouTube viewing will come out in the new year.

Thank you once again to our congregations too, for their continued support with our local charity this year: 'Thorncombe First Responders'. Today's carol service raised a further £159.21 making our final total £409.10, which is amazing.

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There were many other exciting events this week, including KS2 children's visit to the Brewhouse Theatre, where they saw *The Little Prince* – we were amazed at how talented the performers were! Across the school, children had festive parties on Wednesday afternoon, following a delicious Christmas dinner: thank you to our lunch supervisors for making this a lovely time to share with our friends. Father Christmas popped in too and delivered presents to each class. Yesterday we were entertained with an array of musical marvellers! Well done to all our solo performers, ensembles and whole class performers – you were all sensational.

A huge thank you to all who supported our Christmas Fair last Friday and for PAFOTs' continued support in raising funds to enhance learning opportunities for the children of Tatworth. The Christmas Fayre raised £841, which was amazing.

Once again, thank you for all the gifts, cards and best wishes. We will certainly be ready for a rest this Christmas and wish everyone a safe break and look forward to seeing you all on the 4th January 2023.



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Our musical talents shared their music during the morning of Thursday 15th December.



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Christmas parties and a visit from Father Christmas



Free School Meal Vouchers

Parents/Carers of children in receipt of income related free school meals will receive emailed e-vouchers from Mrs Whitby on Monday. The £20 Voucher Express voucher is redeemable in all major supermarkets.

Spring Term Clubs

Spring clubs are now live on parentpay, starting w/c 9th January (except Choir 4.1.23) please see attached flyer.

Sporting Chance Holiday Club

Mr Bailey will be holding a holiday club over the Christmas break on Monday the 19th and Tues 20th at school, 9am until 3pm.

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Safeguarding: See attached NOS: What parents and carers need to know about setting up apps, games and software.

Celebrations:

Attendance winners this week are Willow Class – well done!

Fountain Pen:

Willow Class: Darcey

Hawthorn Class: Effie

Hazel Class: Maisy St

Yew Class: Frankie

Platinum Bag:

Hawthorn Class: Effie

Behaviour for Learning Celebrations:

Acorn Class: Ronnie G for his kindness and positivity towards his peers.

Oak Class: Bella for aiming high and always completing her reading and home learning tasks. **Wilfred** for always taking responsibility for his own learning and persevering in all tasks.

Beech Class: Pearl for working really hard on using her talking thumb. **Rosalie** for her fabulous positive attitude always being ready to learn.

Willow Class: Alex for producing some fantastic work in English recently, focusing on instructions. **Daniel** for aiming high in presentation of his work this term (including handwriting).

Hawthorn Class: Amelia for being an inspiration to all the other children in the class – with her super attitude and demonstration of skills. **Well done! Kian** for a brilliant first term at Tatworth School, always demonstrating a fantastic attitude to learning. Well done!

Hazel Class: Abi for showing courage and getting involved in every opportunity even when it is rather scary! **Aubree** for beautiful and enthusiastic singing and recorder playing.

Yew Class: Jacob & Franki for showing excellent resilience – we are so proud of you both! Your piano playing was wonderful!



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Miss Farmer

This week we said farewell to Miss Farmer. We wish her all the best in her new role and thank her for all her hard work and dedication over the last 4 1/2 years.

Reminders:

Starting School 2023

The online form for starting school applications opened on 26 September 2022. A child can start school in the September after they turn four. The closing date is 15th January 2023.

Apply for places with this link: <https://beta.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/applying-for-a-school/apply-to-start-school-for-the-first-time/>

Happy Christmas & kindest regards



Tracey Hart, Headteacher

Attachments:

Spring Term Club list

NOS: What parents and carers need to know about setting up apps, games and software.

Sporting Chance holiday club flyer.

Primary Sports holiday club flyer

Dates:

Celebration assembly each Friday for anyone able to join us. Please enter school through the front office gate at 11.45 am and sign in at the office. It would be lovely to see more parents each week.

Book Worms Club - A reminder that on Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes we run 'Book Worms' club in the Library. This is a great opportunity for your child to read with an older child or adult. Children can go to the library from 1.30pm.

Choir Events

Tuesday 10th January 2023 Young Voices concert. *There will also be a choir practice on Wednesday 4th January from 8.15 am. The following week, morning choir will be on Monday 9th January instead of Tuesday, as the concert is on Tuesday. Again, these are open to all choir members- not just those going to the concert.*

Year 1 Visit to Chard Museum – Wednesday 18th January.

Swimming - Y4, 5 & some Y6– Thursday 19th January.

Residential Visits

Y5 Pixies Holt Residential 24th – 26th April 2023.

Y3/4 Magdalen Residential 5th & 6th October 2023 – for present Y2/3 children.

Parent Maths Workshops:

Reception class and Years 4, 5 and 6 will take place during the Spring Term.

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