



City Of York Council

Fishergate Primary School
Fishergate
York YO10 4AP



NEWSLETTER No.12



10 December 2008

Dear Parent/Carer,

This will be the final newsletter for the term and it gives me an opportunity to wish you all Happy Christmas.

Thank you for your support during a very busy term. The children have worked hard and a lot has taken place over the last 3 months. Fishergate is a busy school!

Thank you especially for your patience during a term which has had some disruption caused by the building work. It is frustrating that we still await some small items to be completed before the front entrance can be opened. I hope this may be before the end of term - I will keep you up to date.

When the work is completely finished, there will be a lock fitted to the side single gate on Escrick Street. **This gate will be locked from about 9.am - 3.00pm**, this will improve security for all the children. It will mean that visitors to school in the school day will have to come through the front door. I will give you all the updated information about this and about all other entrances for the children and parents in due course. I want the EYU parents and children to continue to use the Y1/2 entrance which is buggy friendly and has worked reasonably well during this term.

End of Term Events

Our school Christmas concerts take place this week, **today at 9.30 and Friday afternoon at 1.30pm**. I hope you have enjoyed this or are able to come on Friday. The final assembly, **1.30pm on Friday 19th December** will be a traditional Christmas Carol Service with the choir and all children singing. The infants will be making a Christmas Nativity Scene and there will be songs for everyone to join in with! Do come if you are able. It will be a lovely way to finish the term. Next week, may I remind you that our Christmas Dinner is on **TUESDAY 16TH DECEMBER**. You must let us know if your child is having a Christmas lunch.

On **Wednesday next week**, we are going to the **Pantomime at the Theatre Royal**. Please note we will be late returning to school; Parents/Carers to wait in school at 5.15pm - we should be back about 5.30pm. **All children must be collected by an adult from the classrooms.**

Children's Christmas parties are on Thursday 18th in the afternoon. We will all be ready for a break after this!!

SCHOOL FOOD TRUST PROJECT – FEBRUARY TO MARCH 2009

THIS IS ADVANCED WARNING THAT FISHERGATE HAS BEEN CHOSEN BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY TO TAKE PART IN A CONSULTATION PROJECT WHICH THE SCHOOL FOOD TRUST ARE ORGANISING ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THIS GOVERNMENT BODY IS LOOKING AT TRIALS OF VARIOUS PROMOTIONS TO SEE HOW EFFECTIVE THEY WILL BE IN ENCOURAGING PARENT/CARERS CHOOSE HOT DINNERS FOR THEIR CHILDREN. THESE PROMOTIONS WILL

TAKE PLACE DURING FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2009 AND WILL INVOLVE A WEEK OF FREE HOT DINNERS, ALONG WITH OTHER PROMOTIONS. MORE DETAILS ABOUT THIS WILL FOLLOW AT THE BEGINNING OF TERM. PLEASE LOOK OUT FOR THIS.

School Wear Order - Reminder
Order forms are available from the office for parents wanting school wear for January. **The deadline for orders is Monday 15th December.**

WE ARE WRITERS

Several parents have asked us if it still possible to order the **We are Writers** book, a compilation of every child's writing. We have negotiated with Scholastic that more can be printed, although you would not receive the book until the New Year. If you would like to place an order, please complete the form below and return it with £5.99. **Cheques should be made payable to Fishergate Primary School. Orders with payment must be received by FRIDAY 19TH DECEMBER.**

CHRISTMAS FAIR - This year the Christmas Fair raised a very respectable **£921.56 - FANTASTIC.** (Christmas cards made **£84.60**) A lot of hard work goes in to organising this event and also making sure everything runs smoothly. A big **thank you** goes to **everyone** involved in making this a huge success, without your support this would not happen.

BAGS2SCHOOL - The next collection is 18th December, so there's still time for you to sort out any unwanted items of clothing.

SCHOOL FINISHES ON FRIDAY 19TH DECEMBER AT 2.30PM AND RE-OPENS ON TUESDAY 6TH JANUARY 2009

Finally, thank you again for a really good term. Have a super Christmas break.

Best wishes.

Andy Herbert
(Headteacher)

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NAME OF CHILD.....CLASS

PARENT/CARER.....(Please print name)