

Fishergate Newsletter 5

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At long last, this week, we could lift the veil of secrecy that hung over our recent OFSTED inspection and I hope that you were as delighted with the result as we were. I am so pleased that the inspectors saw what I see every day – adults who love working here and who nurture the children that they work with, allowing them to express their individuality and creativity. As well as children who are outstanding at working together and supporting each other. Fishergate really is a very, very special school and I am so lucky to be able to lead a fantastic team and to work with such supportive parents and carers.

We some superb entries from the Y3/4s for the Fishergate Bake-Off on Monday. Mr Kelly, Aisha Shaibu and Susannah Hunt (Y6 and Y3 school councillors) did a great job of judging the thirty-four entries; although Mr Kelly's double helpings of some of the cakes did mean that he had to have a little lie-down on the staffroom floor! Huge congratulations go to all the participants. Well done to Anya Atkinson and Jacob Foale who were the winners from their classes and Anya Solanki-Chamberlain who was judged to be the overall winner. The cake sale afterwards raised an impressive £94. This money is being put towards a defibrillator. We are looking forward to doing it all again with the Year 5/6 classes next Monday.

We have received notification from the DFE that we have been granted our academy order. However, our conversion, will not take place before January 2019 at the very earliest.

I would like to finish this week by saying thank you to one of our parent governors. Ben Rich has been a valuable member of our governing body for the last three years and during that time we have really benefited from his skills and insight. Although he will still be very much a part of the school, particularly when it comes to chess, he has decided to step down from being a governor. Elections to fill the position that he leaves vacant will take place in the next few weeks.

Champions of Change Information Leaflets

The Champions of Change team have written and produced a variety information leaflets on a range of topics from bullying to road safety. These leaflets can be found in the lower hall by the main entrance. They have been written by kids for kids so please take a look and help yourselves to a leaflet.

Reversed Charity Advent Calendar

The Champions of Change team are organising a Reversed Charity Advent Calendar. The idea is that during the first 2 weeks of advent we give to charity. The first charity we are supporting is the [Salvation Army Christmas Present Appeal](#). We are asking that [new and unwrapped toys](#) are brought into school during 4th and 8th December for children 0-17 years. These toys will be distributed to local children in our community who receive very little at Christmas. The second charity we are supporting is [Carecent](#). We are asking that [adult sized hats, gloves and socks](#) are brought into school during the 11th and 14th December. Finally, to end our charity advent calendar, we would like everyone to take part in the [Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day](#). This is on Friday 15th December and pupils are invited to come to school in a [Christmas jumper or anything Christmassy](#) and [bring in £1](#) for this charity.

Thank you for your support.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Christmas lunch this year will be on Friday
15th December

Children will be offered a choice of Roast
Turkey with Chipolata Sausage, Sage and
Onion Stuffing, Cranberry Sauce and Gravy

Or

Cranberry Glazed Quorn Roast

Served With

Herby Roast Potatoes, Honey Glazed
Carrots and Garden Peas

Dessert will be Snowy Iced Chocolate
sponge or Gingerbread Biscuit or
Homemade Christmas Pudding with White
Sauce

**Please note that due to Christmas dinner,
Fish Fingers/Red Pepper Frittata with
Chips will be served on Wednesday 13th
December**

DECEMBER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FRI 1 ST	YR 5/6 HARRY POTTER DAY COLLECT 6.30PM
MON 4 TH	YR 5/6 BAKE OFF
MON 4 TH	MISS TEALE'S CLASS BASTOW HOUSE AM
WED 6 TH	MRS WILSON/MS REES MOSQUE TRIP AM
THURS 7 TH	KS2 CHRISTMAS SHOP
FRI 8 TH	KS1 CHRISTMAS SHOP
MON 11 TH	BAKE OFF FINAL
TUES 12 TH	KS1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE 9.30AM
WED 13 TH	EYU CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE 9.30AM
WED 13 TH	KS1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE 1.45PM
WED 13 TH	CHOIR CAROL SINGING ST HELEN'S SQUARE
FRI 15 TH	CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY
FRI 15 TH	CHRISTMAS LUNCH
FRI 15 TH	EYU CAKE STALL
MON 18 TH	WHOLE SCHOOL PANTO TRIP COLLECT 4.15PM
MON 18 TH	NO PART-TIMER SESSIONS TODAY
TUES 19 TH	CHRISTMAS FAIR 3.15-6PM
WED 20 TH	EYU CHRISTMAS PARTY 9.30AM
WED 20 TH	MRS WALTON MOSQUE TRIP AM
WED 20 TH	KS2 CHRISTMAS PARTY PM
WED 20 TH	CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT 5.30PM
THURS 21 ST	KS1 CHRISTMAS PARTY PM
FRI 22 ND	BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS 2.30PM

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL TUESDAY 9TH JAN 2018

EMAIL ADDRESSES

Please be aware that our main means of communication with home is via email. This helps us save money and time and ensures information reaches parents. Please make sure that the school office have the correct email address for you on their system and can we please urge you all to check your emails regularly to ensure that you are up to date with school information.

Working, volunteering or thinking about employment in schools or pre-school settings? Keep up with the Children in Maths or English

- Work with experienced tutors in small, supportive groups.
- Discuss how children learn and what they will cover at different stages of primary school.
- Improve your career prospects by working towards an up to date nationally recognised qualification in maths or English.
- Receive information and advice about courses and opportunities to help you identify and achieve your aims.
 - Free crèche available for pre-school children

This course is free if you don't have GCSE A-C / Grade 4 or above in English or maths.
Various community venues. Eligibility rules apply.

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