



Bardfield Buzz

Newsletter No 10- Friday 11th December 2015

The newsletter will be circulated to all parents every Friday. Newsletters are also held centrally at the School Office and are on the website.

Feeling very proud!

What an amazing group of children we have at Great Bardfield Primary School! They sang their hearts out this week in their Nativity Play and at the Carol Concert. Our Unicorns and Dragons rose to what was a very big challenge with our Nativity this year with lots of songs, dances and words to learn. Who knew that Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star had so many verses? Our littlest children were absolutely enchanting.

Our older Key Stage Two children sang with joy to bring us a beautiful and poignant traditional Carol Concert. Each class had their own Carol and there were several group Carols. The Year 6 children were fantastic in their Tableau scene and we also had some wonderful solo performances.

So many of our staff helped to create these wonderful events in school and I am sure that you will join me in extending our sincere thanks to them and to some parents who also helped to make the performances very special.

We would also like to thank Father Robert for allowing us to use the church for the Carol Concert. We are always delighted to be invited to St Mary the Virgin church as it is an important link with the local community. He has asked me to let you know that there will be a Christingle Service next

Sunday in the church should you wish to go along.

Bell Ringing Club

A special aspect of the Carol Concert was that we had some of our Year 6 children ringing the bells to welcome everyone to the church. These children have worked incredibly hard over the last term, attending a club every Tuesday after school, to learn this traditional skill. They believe strongly that they want to keep the tradition alive in the village. One young man who lives in Stebbing has even joined his church's bell ringers with his mum!

We were delighted to welcome Peter and Marion Wood and Sarah Holland to assembly today to award the Bell Ringers with their special badges. These awards went to:

Tom Jarman, Madeleine Ridge,
Amanda Millen, Kirsty Way, Katelyn Tebbey, Stuart Groves, Alfie Holland.

Unicorn Cake Sale

Well done everyone the cake sale today raised a wonderful £57 for the class fund.

Christmas Jumper Day

Following the success of this last year we will again be holding a Christmas Jumper Day. This will be on the last day of the term, Friday 18th December.

We will be supporting the charity 'Text Santa' and would be grateful if you could donate £1.00 in return for wearing your jumper. You don't have to wear a jumper, just come in something festive as it will be a non-uniform day.

Early Morning Playground

Just a reminder please that the playground is unsupervised until 8.40am every morning. Therefore please do not leave your child before this time. We are concerned that children are being left unattended and are engaging in some rough play and inappropriate behaviour, therefore increasing the risk of an accident.

Christmas Post Box

The Festive Season is now in full swing! We have a post box in the school entrance hall if you would like to post cards which will then be sorted by our Year 6 Elves and delivered around the school.

End of term assembly

Our last assembly of the Autumn term will be at **2.00pm** on Friday 18th December.

Clubs

Only before school clubs will run this week. There will be no after school clubs. Sports clubs will start again after the Christmas holiday. Full details of clubs in the Spring term will be published in next week's newsletter.

Arrangements for the final week of term

As you will know we will have Shop 'til You Drop on Monday 14th December. Then on Tuesday 15th December we will have our school Christmas Dinner.

On Thursday afternoon we will have Christmas parties. This year Mrs Aldred will host a party just for Year 6 in Phoenix classroom. Mrs Kerrell will

host a party for Year 4 and 5 in Pegasus classroom and Mrs Mach will host a party for Year 3 in Griffin classroom. Unicorns and Dragons will have their party in the hall. **All children may bring a change of clothes for the afternoon.**

We would kindly ask parents to donate something for the class party. Please ask your child's class teacher where the signing up sheet is located.

Awards this week

Special Awards:

Benjamin Yarrow, George Tebbey, Stanley Ross, Henry Collins, Willow Mellon- Kelly, Lottie Crow, Alice Vaughan, William Brandl, Thomas Chapman, Christy Brandl and Jack McGregor.

Presentation Award:

Maisie Clark, Aimee Brignull, Ben Paulyn, Zak Hall and Katelyn Tebbey.

Bookworm Award:

Alice Steinbauer, Harvey Gilder, Daisy Chignell and Madeleine Ridge.

Bardfield Cinema Club will be showing 'Paddington' next Monday in the Town Hall. Admission is free and doors open from 3pm, with the performance starting at 3.30pm. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

On behalf of all of the staff at Great Bardfield Primary school, I would like to wish you all a nice weekend.

Mrs Kerrell