

# Oak Farm Infant School



## Newsletter

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### AUTUMN TERM

As we approach the end of a long and busy term I would like to update you on some of our successes so far. All the children took part in wonderful Christmas performances to parents. They exhibited their enjoyment and enthusiasm for all to see and I hope you enjoyed celebrating Christmas with us.

Year 2 Singing Club entertained our senior citizen visitors and served refreshments during a special afternoon of songs and carols. Our guests really enjoyed this performance. Some children from Year 2 also entertained visitors to Oak Farm library with a lively rendition of their favourite Christmas songs.

The children have worked incredibly hard this term and it has been lovely to see the progress they have made. We have recently assessed all the children and during pupil progress meetings with teachers I was very pleased on how well they knew the strengths and areas for development of every child in their class. Teachers recently spent a twilight session checking standards in writing with staff from other local schools. We received positive comments from teachers who were impressed with the high quality of our children's writing. The standard that we had awarded each child was agreed to be accurate. Governors have also made visits to the school to look at our learning environment, our approach to teaching phonics and the quality and rigour of pupil assessments.

### LAST DAY OF TERM WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2017

Please remember that the school and nursery will close at 2.30pm tomorrow for the last day of term.

Granarykids After School Club (for those who have booked) will still be open until 5.45pm.

### NATALIE TURNER AWARD

The Natalie Turner award is given to children who consistently demonstrate good choices, are respectful and kind and is voted for by the children themselves. The following children received the award this term:

Class 1 Aarna, Class 2 Mishika, Class 3 Anna, Class 4 Rajni, Class 5 Maisie, Class 6 Maeli, Class 7 Reem, Class 8 Riya and Class 9 Dilara. Congratulations to them all.

## ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance at school is very important. During assembly this morning we celebrated the children who had 100% attendance this term. Well done to all of them. At Oak Farm Infants we are aiming for at least 96% for each child. Well done to Class 7 for the best attendance this term.

Class	Attendance this term %
1	96.1
2	95.2
3	95.8
4	95.8
5	94.6
6	94.9
7	97.3
8	96.3
9	96.3

## MICHAEL SOBELL HOUSE—CHRISTMAS TOYS

Tomorrow will be the last day we will be collecting for Michael Sobell House. If the children bring in a minimum of £1.50 they may have a soft toy subject to availability. All money collected goes to the charity.

## POPPY APPEAL

We have received a thank you letter from the Poppy Appeal Team for your donations totalling £193.48. Thank you for your support.

## GOVERNOR UPDATE

I would like to inform you that Mr Ahsan Mian has had to step down as our Chair of Governors due to work commitments. He has been replaced by Mrs Gurinder Gill who was voted in as Chair at our Governing Body meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> December. On behalf of everyone I would like to thank Mr Mian for his dedication to the school.

We welcome two new members to the Governing Body, Mrs Hilary D'Cruze who has a close association with the school through her work at the Children's Centre and Ms Nisha Masson.

## FINALLY...

I would like to thank FoOF for their hard work this term. The amount raised at the Bazaar was amazing and we shall be thinking carefully about how we can best use the money raised through their fundraising efforts. Many thanks to everyone who helped ensure the success of the Bazaar.

I would like to thank all the staff for all their hard work this term. Their commitment ensures every child enjoys coming to school and makes the most of every learning opportunity.

On behalf of everyone at school I would like to thank you all for your continued support this term and wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

We look forward to welcoming the children back at school on

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018.**