



Dear Parents and carers,

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support this term. The staff and I cannot believe how quickly it has flown by. Thank you for all our Christmas gifts too. I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful start to the New Year. We shall see all the children back in school on the 5th January.

Mrs H Obank

Achievements

Star of the Week

The whole school this week are our stars. They have worked so very hard this term.

Lila Gumble was missed of the newsletter last week, congratulations and apologies.

Golden Tickets

Last week I forgot to add Amelia Green to the list - my apologies.

This week Erika, Charlotte, Woody, Aryan, Amelia-Jo, and Archie earnt a ticket and they will have their surprise in the new year.

News

Mr Perry

Today we say goodbye to Mr Perry and wish him well in his new ventures. Thank you for working in Oak class this term. Miss Amy Jones will be joining us in the Spring term. Unfortunately she hasn't been able to meet the children or parents before the end of term as she is teaching her own class at the moment. Please come and introduce yourselves to her when we are back after the Christmas break.

Wind in the Willows

We had a fabulous time at the Brentwood Theatre watching their production of The Wind in the Willows. It was a great show and the children really enjoyed it. There were some ladies from the Brentwood Chamber of Commerce there who part funded the trip for us, they commented on how well behaved the children were and said they were a credit to the school. The theatre staff also said how much they enjoyed having us there. It was so good for the children to experience a show in the theatre.

Year 5 and 6 singing

Year 5 and 6 sang at Shenfield Station on Thursday evening to raise money for school. They were so well behaved and sang beautifully, raising £665.44 for school. What an amazing achievement. Thank you to all who went and to the adults for helping out.

Goodbyes

This term we say goodbye to Natalie Barton and Matthew Sharp who are leaving us to attend schools closer to their homes. We will miss them.

More News...

School dinners

This week we received a letter congratulating us on our improved figures for KS2 dinners from Essex. We had a school meals uptake of 63% which is highlighted as one of the highest results in the county. Well done to Charlotte and Carla for their hard work and to the parents and children for enjoying their meals.

Information

1st day back

The 5th January is the first day back for the children after the holiday.

Parent Maths Workshop

I have had 15 replies to the letter I sent out about the maths workshop. This will be going ahead on **7th January at 9.15am in the school hall**. All parents are invited to attend, the more the merrier. I will provide tea and cake!

Attendance

We will report each class attendance totals. We are aiming for 98% attendance in each class, each week.

The figures below are for this half term

Acorn Class: 97%

Chestnut Class: 93.7%

Willow Class: 94.35%

Oak Class: 95%

The following children gained certificates for having 100% attendance in school:

Sofia, Molly, Joshua, Vinnie, Fraser, Jude, Ruby, Joseph, Milly, Lacey, Darcey, Lexie, Tayla, Heidi, Kelvin, Jason, Joshua O, Jack, Archie, Keira, Kaleb, Lila, Louella, Joe, Josh, Jack F, Holly H, Madison, Henry P, Olivia and Aimee T.

Dates for the Diary

4th January - INSET DAY

5th January - 1st Day back for children

7th January - Parent maths workshop at 9.15am

14th January - Christingle service (letter in new year)