

BOURN PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER



December 2018

From the Head Teacher

I find it hard to believe that we only have 13 more school days left until the end of term. The last few weeks have sped by!

We have been fortunate that we have not had to close the School due to bad weather for the past few years. However, in previous years this was not always the case. Our immediate concern is for the welfare of the children travelling to and from the School, but it is also significant that the majority of the School staff travel some distance to get to work. For both these reasons, if snow and ice make driving dangerous the decision may be taken to close the School for the day. If you suspect this may be a possibility please check for a text alert message from the School, consult the School website where a message will be posted as soon as any decision to close is made, or listen to BBC Radio Cambridgeshire or Heart 103 for an update.

Tomorrow we are holding the annual Christmas Capers, which is organised by the BSA. We hope that as many of you as possible will enjoy and support this wonderful occasion.

Let me now confirm the details of those events happening during the remaining two weeks of term.

The tickets are now available from the School Office for the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 plays, which will take place at **1.15pm on the afternoon of 11th December and at 6.00pm on the evenings of 11th and 12th December**. Initially, each family will be allowed 3 tickets which can be spread over all three performances. The children in school will have the opportunity to see the final rehearsals of the plays on Monday afternoon, and I hope that younger siblings will attend the performance on Tuesday afternoon - leaving the evening performances free for adults. As in previous years, tickets are free of charge, but there will be a collection at the end of each performance which will be divided between the RNLI charity, selected by the School Council, and the School.

The doors for the evening performances will open at **5.30pm** and those who are performing should arrive by **5.45pm**. If you are attending the performances and you have a child in KS1, can I ask that you stay for both plays as it very sad for the older children if some of the audience go home before their production, leaving empty seats in the hall. I can assure you that the KS1 children will be very well looked after in the classroom whilst you are enjoying the second play.

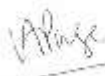
The pupils in Class Acorn, the Reception class, are very busy rehearsing their play "Wriggly Nativity", which will be presented on Friday, 7th December at 9.05am. There are no tickets for this production but we will once again be making a collection at the end.

We have our School Carol Service in Bourn Church on the evening of Tuesday, 18th December, starting at 6.00pm. The Choir and Orchestra are taking part, as well as children from Year 6. All families are very welcome and I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Bourn Bistro will be serving Christmas lunch on Friday 14th December. This is always a very festive occasion and I would encourage parents to allow their children to have school lunch on that day.

We end the term with a Community Carol Assembly at 9.05am on Wednesday, 19th December and in the afternoon the children will be enjoying their annual talent show. I know that many children have been practising for some time!

I look forward to seeing you at the various events over the next two weeks.



Christine Page
Head Teacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
COMMUNITY ASSEMBLIES

7 th December 14 th December 19 th December	Class Acorn Nativity No Community Assembly End of term Community Assembly
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EVENTS

1 st December 11 th December 12 th December 14 th December 18 th December	Christmas Capers Christmas plays - afternoon/evening Christmas play - evening Christmas lunch Carol Service - 6.00pm
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TERM DATES

<i>Autumn term 2018</i> Autumn term closes	Wednesday, 19th December
<i>Spring term 2019</i> Training day Training day Spring term starts Half-term Spring term closes	Thursday, 3 rd January Friday, 4 th January Monday, 7 th January 18 th - 22 nd February Friday, 5 th April
<i>Summer term 2019</i> Training day Summer term starts Training day Half-term Summer term closes	Tuesday, 23 rd April Wednesday, 24 th April Friday, 24th May 27 th - 31 st May Tuesday, 23 rd July