

Newsletter 12

Autumn 2016

The final 12 days of the school term are going to be busy so here's a brief reminder: Have you:



- Requested tickets for the xmas production of *Baboushka* ?
(deadline has passed, any tickets remaining after the 1st allocation will be made available next week)
- Ordered your child's school xmas dinner by **Monday 5th Dec?** (Yes, *Monday!*)
- Begun to assemble a costume for your child (Rec & KS1) to bring in to school by **Wednesday 7th Dec?** (*Washing machines across the land are being filled with tea towels as we speak*)
- Added Christmas Concert to your diary—**Wed 13th Dec** (evening)?
- Dusted off a tasteful Winter Woolly for Winter Jumper Day—**Mon 19th Dec?**

Nikki Brown

Assembly Visit

We talk regularly to children about the importance of aiming high and challenging ourselves so I was delighted to invite Ed Williams, marathon swimmer and founder of a local swimming academy, to talk about what it takes, both mentally and physically, to prepare to face some of the most difficult swimming challenges. As well as being able to talk about being one of the youngest people to swim the English Channel and raise thousands of pounds for charity Ed was able to talk to the children about how failing one of his swimming challenges actually drove him to pursue his ambition with even more determination. For more information on Ed's recent charity swimming challenges click [here](#) If your child came home inspired to develop their swimming talents there is a flyer for Elite Swimming Academy attached to this week's newsletter.



FOM
Christmas Bazaar TOMORROW

Saturday 3rd Dec 12-2

Early Birds are too early

Whilst it's wonderful that children are keen to come to school we have had some children arriving this week long before the gate opens at 8.40 some as early as 8.20! This means they are standing around in the very cold weather, in some cases without an accompanying adult.

Please aim to arrive at school by 8.55, ready for lessons to start at 9am. We endeavour to open the gates at 8.40 to give children the chance to lock up bicycles or for parents to drop off children at classrooms etc. so that classes are ready to start at 9am. If your child walks to school alone please make sure they are not setting off too early.

**Want to get paid to play?
Working to facilitate fun indoors and outside, all year round?**

Spectrum Playworkers wanted

See our advert on the [school website](#)

Year 2 had a fabulous time disappearing into space as they learnt about the moon and the stars; they were taken on an incredible journey through nebulae and the constellations before returning, thankfully, before home-time! The space dome greatly enhanced our topic of 'Flights of Wonder' which has seen children taken from the first manned balloon flight of 1783 to the lunar landings of 1969! We really appreciate your contributions which make events like this possible, thank you.



The Christmas Card artwork project raised £375 for the school - thank you very much to everyone who gave their support and bought their children's card designs!



No Achievement Certificates Today

Due to 'Explorerdome' being in school today, achievement assembly will be taking place on Monday 5th.



Check out the calendar on our [website](#) for events throughout the year

Upcoming events

December

Sat 3rd - FOM Christmas Bazaar

Fri 9th - Yr4 Scott Polar museum trip

Sat 10th - Pick up Christmas trees 9.15-12.00

Tues 13th & Wed 14th - Early Years/KS1 Performance 9.30-10.15

Wed 14th - Christmas Dinner

Thurs 15th - Early Years/KS1 Performance 2-2.45

Mon 19th - Winter Jumper Day

Tues 20th - Last day of term

