



Framfield Church of England Primary School - Newsletter



Friday, 7th December 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term is full of excitement as our children prepare for Christmas and the sense of awe and wonder is everywhere. At Framfield, we want to celebrate every child as unique and special but also a part of our school and wider community. There have been many opportunities to celebrate their individual talents and for our children to feel that sense of belonging.

PTFA Christmas Fair

Despite the appalling weather on Saturday, the PTFA Christmas Fair was a tremendous community event. There were beautiful craft products to buy, fun things to do and make for the children, amazing prizes including a 'barrow of booze' and delicious foods to enjoy. In the background, a brass band played festive tunes which made the whole event really Christmassy. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this social and fundraising event through helping to prepare or by attending on the day. In total they raised the tremendous sum of £2,502.65.

The monies raised by the PTFA this year will fund contributions towards school trips and Forest School. They will pay for the children's Christmas pantomime next week and treats to add to the children's Christmas lunch. They will complete phase 2 of the playground developments which support the children's physical and mental wellbeing.

In consultation with the school, the PTFA are venturing into a new focus for their fundraising, the upgrading and developing of new technology. They have kindly agreed to support us in a planned acquisition of state of the art interactive white boards which will significantly enhance pupil engagement and therefore learning. They plan to buy us more laptops so that in computing lessons, children can work on one each and we can harness technology in really positive ways across the curriculum in all classes.

Holy Cross Church Christmas Tree Festival

Every child in our Federation has prepared a decoration for the Federation Christmas Tree. The theme for our tree is 'I can light up the world with kindness'. The children decorated a tree light and added a message about how they would demonstrate kindness. If you would like to see the festival, you can find details about opening times for Friday 7th, Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th December on the Church website.

Lion's Roar Final

On Thursday, our Lion's Roar representatives competed against approximately 20 schools to take second place overall. A huge thank you to the staff in Eagles Class who supported them, Mrs Brennan played a very significant role in helping them prepare for the big event. The children were articulate, professional, confident and courteous and they had a cracking idea to make the world a better place. I know that all of the pupils at Framfield will be proud of their achievement. Their product design was all about allowing people with allergies access food and drink safely when they go out to restaurants; please do ask them about it.





Big Sing at Glyndbourne

This year was the first time that Framfield has had the chance to perform at Glyndbourne and the beautiful venue really added to the sense of occasion. The children performed incredibly well after a long afternoon of rehearsals. Three of our pupils also narrated part of the linking story and they rose to the challenge of reading to a huge audience with confidence.

Hello and Goodbye

This week, we welcomed our new midday supervisor Nicola Roberts to our school team. She will be with us five days a week as we support our children in having a happy, healthy lunch time. Mrs Orme will be starting a new position as a reception class teaching assistant at Laughton School in January; we know she is looking forward to being with the younger children each day and we wish her happiness and success in her new role.

There is much to celebrate and these are just a few of the wonderful events that our parents, staff and governors help to provide to ensure that every child has a chance to shine. We are all looking forward to the Nativity Play and Carol Concert before the end of term.

Kind regards

Lisa Pestell

Message from Katharine Rabson Stark, Chair of Governors

As you know in the Spring, we usually undertake a parent survey which is always a useful opportunity to receive feedback from you. This year in addition to this, we would like to invite you to complete the online Parentview survey which can be found at: <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>. Some of you will have completed this before but it's been a few years since we asked you to do it. It only takes a few minutes to complete and it's a useful way to collate opinions which are all completely anonymous. The school can see the results as well as anyone outside our community which might include prospective parents or the local authority.



Future Events - N.B. NO TEACHER AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK

Tm 2 /Week 6		
Monday	10.12.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forest school - selected pupils
Tuesday	11.12.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception and KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday	12.12.18	
Thursday	13.12.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception and KS1 Nativity Performance, 9.30 am • Red Butler Music • All Star Football Club • Forest schools - Year 6
Friday	14.12.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Jumper Day for 'Save the Children' • Reception and KS1 Nativity Performance, 9.30 am
Tm 2/Week 7		
Monday	17.12.18	
Tuesday	18.12.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Church Service, 9.30 am (normal drop off time 08:45 am please at school) All parents welcome to meet us at the church.
Wednesday	19.12.18	<p>Last Day of Term</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Pantomime and Christmas Dinner

- Thursday, 3rd January 2019 – Start of Term 3
- Monday, 7th January 2019 - Forest School for Year 3 children

Inset Days

Monday 25th February 2019

Monday 22nd July 2019

Tuesday 23rd July 2019