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December 6th 2013



Diary Dates:

December

6th – Music & Art Celebration 3.30-4.30pm

10th – 6.30pm Yr 6 to see 'Scrooge' at Tiverton High School

13th - Christmas Fair 5.30-7pm

15th – Christingle Service at Rackenford Church 3pm

17th – 2.30pm – Sika Class Nativity Play at Rackenford Church

19th – 2.30pm and 7pm - Christmas Concert

20th – Last day of term

Christmas is definitely coming. The school is filled with the sounds of our children rehearsing for our festive celebrations and the office is piling up with all sorts of delicious food (and booze!) in preparation for the Christmas Fair. (Justine is finding the chocolates particularly hard to resist.) Thank you for your generosity and for your offers of help to run stalls. As ever, the fair would be nothing without your fantastic support.

Music and Art Celebration

The children have been thoroughly enjoying their preparations for this special event. We hope you will enjoy sharing their enthusiasm this afternoon and we thank Jane Williams and Jo Bradley for all their hard work putting together this celebration.

November 100 Club winners.

Congratulations to:

- 1st prize – the Hookins family
- 2nd prize – Sarah Butler
- 3rd prize – Pearl Stone

They were drawn by Katie, Rory and Izzy. If you haven't joined the 100 Club but would like to, please let Amelia or Justine know. It's just £10 to join with monthly draws from October to July. All proceeds go to the school and you might even win!

Scrooge

This year, Year 6 are invited to an evening performance of Scrooge at the high school next Tuesday 10th December. Please bring your child to the high school at 6.30pm. Claire and Helen Hyland will meet them outside the Reception area. The performance starts at 7pm and children need to be collected at 9.15pm.

Goodbye to Jane

As some of you may know, our fantastic music teacher, Jane Williams, is leaving us at Christmas. She has been a huge asset to the school, bringing music to the classrooms and providing guitar lessons as well as running a lunchtime club this term. We wish her well and we are actively looking for a replacement. If you can recommend anyone, then please do let Claire know.

Tag Rugby Tournament

Through our connections with the Exeter Chiefs, Year 4 have been invited to take part in a tag rugby tournament at Tiverton Rugby Club next Wednesday 11th. It will take place from 9.30 – 2pm and children taking part will need a packed lunch. A letter will go home in wallets on Monday.

Meal Time Assistant

We are very grateful to one of our parents, Ian Greenaway, for offering to help Sandra with the serving of school meals. Owing to other work commitments, he won't be able to help every day, so we would love to hear from anyone who might be willing to share the duties with him.

Live Band Night

What a fantastic night! It was really well attended so a big thank you to all those who made it such a success (including the dedicated band of helpers who cleared up 'til well past midnight). The band played a great mix of music with something for everyone and the dance floor was heaving by the end of the evening.

A reminder about our Christmas performances:

Nativity Play

As part of our Christmas celebrations, you are warmly invited to our nativity play at Rackenford Church on Tuesday 17th December at 2.30pm. Reception and Year One will be the star performers, supported by the children in Roe and Muntjac classes.

Christmas Concert

This will be performed by children in Roe and Muntjac classes on Thursday 19th December. There will be two performances, one at 2.30pm and one at 7pm. As usual, we suggest that parents with young children attend the afternoon performance.

Christingle Service

Everyone is very welcome to come to Rackenford Church for this lovely, family service which takes place at 3pm on Sunday 15th December.

Pupils of the Week



Sika Class: **Katherine Perry** for always being in the right place at the right time and always very polite.

Roe Class: **Keiki Atherton-Thom** for settling in so well at a new school.

Muntjac Class: **William Blackburn** for excellent literacy work. Super 'noun' phrases in his dragon description. Well done!

Well done to all of them.

Enjoy your weekend,

Claire Joyce