



## December Newsletter 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

For those of you who are new to Billing Brook - Christmas is always a fun and busy time, full of joy and lots of events. For those of you who have been with us for some time – you know what is in store!! Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December is our official start to Christmas.

I thought it might be useful for you to all have a reminder of our events and expectations, to help you plan and for you to join us as much as possible.

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017** Sixth Form Café @ The Brook. I am delighted that our Sixth Form Café is now open. I do hope you will support us by visiting and taking your friends to the café.



Unfortunately, we could not get our **Christmas Trees** free this year, so if anyone would like to sponsor our trees they cost us £50 each.

The **Christmas Fayre** on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December** 5.00pm – 7.00pm is one of our largest fundraising events – please donate items for the raffle and stalls (and thank you for all the chocolate for our hampers), come and join us on the night. There is a **voluntary** entry fee of £1.00; Refreshments will be on sale (hot dogs; mince pies; hot chocolate; tea; coffee etc); lots of stalls and Santa will be visiting. We end the evening with a carol fest – with The Salvation Army band.



If you cannot make the event, then we are happy to sell **raffle tickets** to you in advance. Please send the money in to school in an envelope, with your name and amount sent in. We shall send the tickets out to you. They are a £1.00 a strip – we have amazing prizes!

### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017



Mr Bruce Green – a local business man, sponsors a trip to the cinema for our Key Stage 3 pupils. They will be collected by coach and returned to school for lunch. School Uniform to be worn, outside coat required. **NO** money allowed.



I do feel that our pupils are really talented and I always look forward to the department events. Flyers are attached for each of the performances, we would appreciate it if you could let us know if you are planning to come – it just helps us organise ourselves. There is no charge for the performances.

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017** at 1.30pm Key Stage 4 Secondary department ~ arrive for 1.15pm

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017** at 1.30pm Key Stage 3 Secondary department ~ arrive for 1.15pm

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017** at 1.30pm Primary department and 3JRa ~ arrive for 1.15pm

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017** at 10.30am and 1.30pm ASD department ~ arrive for 10.15am & 1.15pm





**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017** at 1.30pm Christmas Gathering for Sixth Form Parents at the sixth form centre (not a performance ~ more information to follow).



**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017** The Variety Club have organised a trip to Gulliver's Land for our Primary aged pupils. School Uniform to be worn.

 **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017** We need your oranges – please send your child into school with a large orange (for their Christingle). The pupils will be making their Christingle on Monday afternoon.

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017** Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper & Hat Day. Pupils can wear a special jumper and Christmas hat **with their school uniform**. All pupils are welcome to purchase a Christmas lunch. Those who have sandwiches can still do so, however If you would like to purchase a lunch, and do not normally have one, please send the money into the school office next week. The cost is £2.30.



**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017** at 10.00am Christingle Service at The Salvation Army – family and friends are welcome.



 School closes for the Christmas Holiday at 3.00pm on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December and re opens to pupils on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

 Please let us know if you change your contact details – we might need to get hold of you in an emergency.

### What to do if....

We have enjoyed the mild weather so far this year but should we get snow and need to close the school (or for any other reason) then we will send you a text via our texting service.



Listen to the local radio – announcements are made

Check the Northamptonshire County Council website [www.northamptonshire.gov.uk](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk)



We will also update our 'School Information Line' 01604 773910 (**option 2**) at regular intervals.

Yours sincerely,

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