

Autumn Term 2 December Newsletter (2) 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy term we have had!

We have been delighted to see so many of you at our events this December. Thank you so much for supporting your child and the school. Our Christmas productions were not only well received, but also well supported and despite having to close for a snow day at the beginning of production week – pupils and students were in fine voice. If any of you have photographs you would like to share with us, we would be very appreciative.



This year we also had four excursions with our signing choir – wearing their new Tee shirts at Costa Coffee – Riverside; Weston Favell Centre as well as Templemore Care Home and the Angela Grace Care Centre.

The Christmas Fayre raised a significant amount of money - £2200, but so did many of our other raffles – the Christmas production hampers; staff hamper; tombola stall– all very generously donated. This has resulted in us baking nearly £3000 this Christmas time. We appreciate your generosity, especially as money is tight for all of us, especially at this time of year.



Sadly our Christmas Cinema Trip and Trip to The Christmas Tree Farm had to be cancelled because of the snow day, which was disappointing, however, the one thing we cannot control is the weather! Gullivers Land trip went ahead, and was a great success.



In my previous letter to you, I mentioned that we could not get our Christmas Trees free this year. Two families have sponsored our Christmas Trees – it has been decided to purchase “evergreen” trees, so they last for years for our Primary 1 building and Key Stage 4 building.

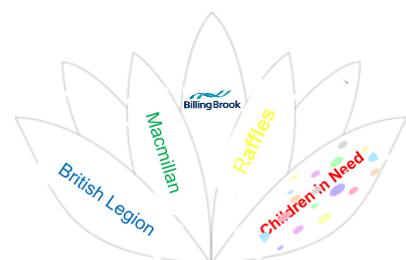
Our Entrance tree was donated by Will Miles, of Welford Christmas Tree Farm. Below you can see some of the lovely wreaths the pupils made from the additional ferns that we were given by Will.

I am grateful for all the support given to the school, whether by attending functions in support of your child; supporting the school by coming into reviews or at events and for supporting our fundraising.

In addition to our own fundraising events we have also been raising money for others – Children In Need (Tuck Shop); British Legion (selling of Poppies) and a Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Charity.



THANK YOU.





Sixth Form Centre – Café @ The Brook & Retail

As many of you know we have now opened our Sixth Form Centre on Holmecross Road – a 15 minute walk from the main site. The Coffee Shop has now opened and is being run by our Students. The opening Hours are 0930 – 1430 Monday – Friday. So for those of you who collect your children – why not pop round for a coffee and then walk across to school? It is well worth it. Huge congratulations to all the students who are working in the kitchen; café or retail I am very proud of you.



Please remember have a “pre loved shop” – if you have any unwanted Christmas gifts; Children clothes & Toys; Books; DVD’s then please send them in and we can sell them in our shop. We do not want adult size items.



Wheelchair Rugby

A group of our pupils represented Northampton Saints as their community team in the Great Britain Wheelchair Rugby games at Stoke Mandeville, home of the Para Olympics. The team played well and strategically, coming 5th overall – a great achievement for a new team competing at a very high standard – Well done everyone who took part.

Congratulations to :

“Holdenby” who have been awarded the most house points this term. Well done!

Just a reminder.....



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....

If we need to close the school (or for any other reason) then we will send you a text via our texting service.

Finally it leaves me to say – Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I look forward to seeing you in 2018.

Attached are events taking place during the Spring Term 2018.

Yours sincerely,

C.M.Grant
Headteacher





Billing Brook School Dates

Spring Term 1 2018

The timings of the school day are:

Drop off: 08:35am – 08:45am

Pick up: 3:05pm – 3:15pm – lessons do not finish until 3:00pm

Wednesday 3 rd January 2018	INSET Day
Thursday 4 th January 2018	School reopens
Thursday 11 th January 2018	School Disco
Tuesday 23 rd January 2018	Parent drop in day
Tuesday 6 th February 2018	Safer Internet day
Friday 9 th February 2018	Last day of Term
12th February to 16th February 2018	Half Term

School reopens on Monday 19th February 2018

Spring Term 2 2018

Thursday 22 nd February 2018	Parent drop in
Thursday 1 st March 2018	World Book day
Monday 12 th to Friday 16 th March 2018	Work Experience Year 11
Monday 19 th to Thursday 22 nd March 2018	Parent Consultations
Monday 26 th to Thursday 29 th March 2018	Autism Week
Thursday 29 th March 2018	Celebrate Easter
Thursday 29 th March 2018	Last day of Term
30th March 2018 to Monday 16th April 2018	Easter Holiday

School reopens on Tuesday 17th April 2018

