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Dear Parents and Carers,



The advent season has started and the classes have been really busy this week. The Tiddlers and Minnows have been learning about the Christmas Story, giving and receiving gifts and the importance of saying 'thank you'. They have been weighing and measuring items too. The children in Sticklebacks have been working hard with their songs, lines and acting for their Nativity play. They have also been learning to count backwards and to subtract mentally. The Seahorses have had great fun performing poetry by the Caribbean poet Valerie Bloom. In the Stingrays class the children have been baking chocolate muffins in their science lesson to investigate reversible and irreversible changes, and the Sharks have been researching birds of prey in relation to their class novel.

The Stingrays class also spent Thursday morning at the church, taking part in an "Advent Experience" with a range of activities and talks. Thanks must go to all those who organised this event.

Year 6 Girls' Football Match

Well done to the Year 6 Girls' Football Team in their first match yesterday. Unfortunately they lost 7-1 but showed immense resilience, encouragement towards eachother, and great sportsmanship to the opposing team. Special mention needs to go to our goal scorer for a magnificent goal towards the end of the second half.



Year 3 & 4 Girls' Multiskills Festival

On Wednesday morning this week a group of Year 3 and 4 girls went to the Bicester Leisure Centre to take part in a festival of gymnastics and dance. The girls were thrilled to be able to watch a performance by The Bicester School's gymnastics team, and to then try out the beam and vault themselves. It was a thoroughly enjoyable morning for them all. Many thanks to the parents who assisted with transport and, in particular, Mrs Grundy who helped with the children during the festival.

School Christmas Disco – Report by Jake D

On Wednesday the 5th December Fritwell Primary School had a school disco!

This disco was amazing; there were sweets, glowsticks, crisps, drinks, and our very own entertainer! The entertainer was really fun to have at our school and he played great music. We played lots of games including a voice holding competition and sing-alongs.

The disco was great fun and we can't wait for the summer one.

Many thanks to Mrs Simpson and Mrs Vaughan and their team of volunteers for the organisation and running of this event.

FoFS Secret Present Room

This morning was the annual Secret Present Room, which is always a highlight for the children. There was a wide range of gifts on offer and everyone thoroughly enjoyed their time spent selecting them. Many thanks again to FoFS for the organisation of this event, and to all the volunteers who assisted with selling and wrapping presents.



"Child of the Week"

Well done to the following children who received certificates this week:

Minnows Shay D

Sticklebacks Jack W and William A
Seahorses Charlie N and Rowan O'N
Stingrays Johnny H and Lewis De'A
Sharks Naomi E and Millie B

Next Week's Events

Wednesday 12th December

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Thursday 13th December

Year 6 Swimming Gala

Community Tea Party

EYFS Nativity 9.30am



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On Wednesday the 12th December the Stingrays class will be hosting the annual Community Tea Party. Older residents from the local area are invited for tea and cake and entertainment from the children.

Nativities

Next Thursday the 13th December the Early Years children will be performing the Nativity in their classroom at 9.30am. Parents are invited to come and watch and no tickets are required.

The Sticklebacks and Seahorses Nativity "Babushka" will be performed at 2.00pm on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th December. Tickets should have been requested by now and notices have already been sent home with your child. There are no tickets left for the Tuesday show.

Vacancy for a Breakfast Club Leader at Fritwell Primary!

Is there anybody out there who would like to join our friendly school staff as a Breakfast Club Leader? The club runs from 7.30-8.30am. The contract would be for 5 hours per week (term time only) at a rate of £8.50 per hour. As this is a schools contract the salary would be paid all year round including holidays. You would also be required to have a DBS check (CRB), which the school would arrange. We would additionally arrange any relevant training such as food safety and safeguarding. If you are interested, or know anyone who might be then please get in touch with Val in the school office on o1869 345283. You would also be able to bring your own child (Primary School age) along. See the school website for a more detailed job description.



MUSIC LESSONS AT FRITWELL PRIMARY

Did you know that your child can take part in music lessons at Fritwell provided by local independent music school The Musical Box?

The Musical Box is one of the longest standing independent music schools in the country, teaching in schools across Warwickshire, Worcestershire, Gloucestershire, Northamptonshire and Oxfordshire. Their aim is to get as many people as possible playing music and loving it.

Lessons are available in drums, guitar, ukulele, bass, piano and singing. Each weekly lesson is for 30 minutes and pupils will be taught on a one-to-one basis, so they get full attention and can make great progress.

For more information and to sign up, please visit www.themusicalbox.co.uk or email admin@themusicalbox.co.uk

Keep warm and dry this weekend!

Kind regards,

Jon Hart *Headteacher*

SCHOOL DIARY

Wed 12th Dec - Year 6 Swimming Gala

Wed 12th Dec - Community Tea Party

Thurs 13th Dec - EYFS Nativity 9.30am

Tues18th Dec - Sticklebacks and Seahorses Nativity 2pm

Wed 19th Dec - School Christmas Dinner

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Thurs 20th Dec - Class Christmas Parties

Fri 21st Dec - Church Carol Service 1.45pm

Fri 21st Dec - School closes for Christmas Holidays

Mon 7th Jan - Back to School