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## Newsletter 12 Autumn Term

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**Dear Parents and Carers,**



The weeks seem to be getting busier as we head towards Christmas!

The *Tiddlers* and *Minnows* have been writing robot stories, practising their ball skills outside, and learning the songs for their Christmas Sing-a-long. The children in *Sticklebacks* have been finding out how animals survive the freezing temperatures in polar regions by experimentation; they saw how long they could keep their hands in ice cold water and then again with their hands wrapped in lard. Both the *Sticklebacks* and *Seahorses* classes have been very busy practising for their nativity play. The *Seahorses* have also been working extremely hard for their assessments this week. The *Stingrays* have been exploring the outdoor area to research microhabitats, and writing a story using a range of paragraph sentence types. Apart from working hard on assessments, the *Sharks* have been learning about different plants and how they have adapted to unique environments.

### ***Staff Update***

After successful interviews for the position of the EYFS teacher earlier this week, I am pleased to let you know that we have appointed Miss Sarah Williams to the role for two terms in the first instance. She really impressed the panel with her passion for the children's development with high expectations and values in line with our school ethos. Our County advisors are particularly interested in our school development in Early Years and have offered support in the coming terms which will be of great benefit to our team.

### ***Partnership***

This week I had a very successful visit working in partnership with Nick Cornell from Brookside Primary School, sharing good practice and support. I also attended a Safeguarding Forum with other Heads in Oxfordshire which provided us with up to date information and confirmation of our child safeguarding practices.

### ***Years 3 & 4 Boys Multiskills Festival***

Some of the Year 3 and 4 boys had an excellent morning of activities at the Bicester Leisure Centre; well done to all who took part and thanks to parents and carers who assisted with transport.

### ***NOSSP Cross County Finals***



A number of very excited children have just finished running at the NOSSP Cross Country finals at Sibford School. All the children ran brilliantly, with our Year 3 & 4 boys team coming first in their age group and Jimmy S coming first overall! This team will now go



through to the County Finals. Well done everyone! Thanks must go to Jenny Lyon who supported me at this event.

### ***"Child of the Week"***

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

<i>Minnows</i>	Louise F
<i>Sticklebacks</i>	Jack W
<i>Seahorses</i>	Eviana M and Pixie-Li N
<i>Stingrays</i>	Charlie Na and Aaliyah H
<i>Sharks</i>	Johnny H and Noah E



### ***Activities Next Week***

Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	<i>FoFS Christmas Fayre</i>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	<i>Decorating Day and Christmas Jumpers</i>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	<i>Parents Meeting 6.00-6.30pm</i>
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	<i>Rags to Riches Collection 9.00am</i>
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	<i>Year 6 Girls Football Match 3.30pm</i>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	<i>Year 1's Visit to Fewcott House</i>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	<i>School Christmas Disco</i>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December &	<i>Life Education Bus</i>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	<i>Life Education Bus</i>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	<i>iRock Concert 10.00am</i>
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	<i>FoFS Secret Present Room</i>



### ***Parent Meeting – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December***

All parents and carers are welcome to attend our meeting on Monday from 6.00pm to 6.30pm to hear about the development of our school vision of “Growing and learning together with God”. We look forward to your support.



## ***Rags to Riches!***

*Please remember to  
bring your bags in for  
collection **by Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December***



We hope to see you all at the Fayre tomorrow!

Kind regards,

**Jon Hart**  
*Headteacher*

## **Dates for Your Diary**

<b><i>Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Nov</i></b>	<b>FoFS Christmas Craft Fayre</b>	
<b><i>Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>Decorating Day &amp; Christmas Jumpers</b>	
<b><i>Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>Parent Workshop</b>	<b>6.00-6.30pm</b>
<b><i>Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>Rags to Riches Collection</b>	
<b><i>Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>Year 6 Girls Football Match</b>	
<b><i>Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>Year 1's Visit to Fewcott House</b>	
<b><i>Wed 4<sup>th</sup> &amp; Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>Life Education Bus</b>	
<b><i>Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>Christmas Disco</b>	
<b><i>Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>iRock Concert</b>	<b>10.00am</b>
<b><i>Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>FoFS Secret Present Room</b>	
<b><i>Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>KS1 Nativity Play</b>	<b>2.00pm</b>
<b><i>Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>KS1 Nativity Play</b>	<b>2.00pm</b>
<b><i>Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>Christmas Tea Party</b>	
<b><i>Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>EYFS Christmas Sing-a-Long</b>	<b>9.30am</b>
<b><i>Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>“Love Your Learning” Morning</b>	<b>8.40-9.00am</b>
<b><i>Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>Whole School Christmas Dinner</b>	
<b><i>Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>Christmas Carol Service 10am</b>	
<b><i>Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Dec</i></b>	<b>Start of Christmas Holidays</b>	
<b><i>Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Jan</i></b>	<b>Back to School</b>	