

# **Birthdays!**

#### Happy Birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthday in December

| December. |         |
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| Ophelia   | Class 5 |
| Jake      | Class 3 |
| Jake      | Class 2 |
| Keelie    | Class 6 |
| Jake      | Class 3 |
| Henry     | Class 2 |
| Aaron     | Class R |
| Amber     | Class 5 |
| Calum     | Class 4 |
| Edward    | Class 5 |
| Megan     | Class 4 |
| Philippa  | Class 6 |
| Finley    | Class 1 |
| Reece     | Class 4 |
| Mae       | Class 1 |
| Benjamin  | Class 6 |
| Connie    | Class 6 |
| Kira      | Class 4 |
| 11        | 1       |

## Remember: School will finish at <u>2pm</u> on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December.

## Attendance

| w/e 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2018 |
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| Class R – 98.5%                    |
| Class 1 – 92.4%                    |
| Class 2 – 95.8%                    |
| Class 3 – 96.2%                    |
| Class 4 – 96.6%                    |
| Class 5 – 97.4%                    |
| Class 6 – 98.4%                    |
| Whole school – 96.4%               |
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## Message from the Headteacher

#### **Reception Class Christmas Stay and Play**

Our reception classroom was bursting at the seams this week as each child was joined by a member of their family for a Christmas themed afternoon. The children performed a number of songs to their important visitors including Five Christmas Puds, Twinkle Twinkle Little Star and Baby Sleeping. Following this they undertook lots of Christmas crafts and games.

#### Key Stage 2 Carol Concert

Thank you to the children and staff for their efforts in producing our annual carol concert. Thank you also to the many family members who joined us for this important family event. The children were in fine voice during both performances and the Church provided the perfect back-drop for us all.

#### Key Stage 1 Nativity

The children and staff in Classes 1 and 2 delighted audiences this week with their retelling of the Christmas story 'A King is Born'. The songs were lovely and everyone embraced the role they had been given. Christmas at school is such a special time and seeing the children representing the nativity in this way was truly wonderful. Heartfelt thanks to the staff and families for supporting the children so well.

#### Singing for their supper!

Our annual visit to the village luncheon club's Christmas dinner took place on Wednesday. Our children were well received and impeccably behaved. The choir joined the members in singing traditional carols as well as performing on their recorders.

#### Party Day

Party day went with a swing on Friday with games and tea parties galore! Father Christmas even made an early appearance, supported of course, by members of our PTFA.

#### Christmas Fayre

Speaking of the PTFA I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Rosen, Mrs Milligan, Mrs Dawtry, Mrs Jaenicke and Ms Lawson for leading this recent fundraising event. Thank you also to the other volunteers, the staff and children who helped to make this such a successful event.

#### **Helen Comfort**

**Wear a Christmas jumper** to school on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> December. Please don't feel that you need to buy a jumper just for this day. A suitably decorated jumper, or a red/green jumper will suffice. Just for fun, no donation required.





**w/e 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018** Star Awards will be given out next week and children's names will appear in next week's newsletter.

### Year R applications – September 2019

For children born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 applications for admission to Reception Class close on 15th January 2019. To apply for a place go to :www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/ school-places/primary-school-places

Families are welcome to make an appointment to view any time. Please spread the word to anyone you know.

The Week Ahead!

#### Lunch Menu: Christmas Menu

Week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018



