

Coldfair Green Primary News

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Message from the Head

Happy Christmas to you all and thank you for all the support you have given the staff and children this year. It has been an exciting end to the term with some very pleasing Year 6 mock SATS results which show the children are on track to achieve well and to make good progress from their Key Stage One starting points. Test results from the other year groups and progress data has all been pleasing and next term a short report will come out to parents detailing progress thus far this year and explaining how you can help us to help your child further.

Letters are coming home today regarding school attendance this term. Ninety Six children whose attendance is above 95% will receive a green attendance certificate in assembly. Amber warnings are received by parents whose child's attendance is between 90 - 94.99% and red warnings for children whose attendance is below 90%. If a red letter is received parents will be invited in to meet with the Headteacher and Inclusion lead so we can support you in ensuring attendance improves. The education welfare officer may also be involved. Even odd days off here and there impact on a child's attainment and progress by the end of Year 6 and beyond in to High School. The children are working at such a pace that they never really catch up missed learning and then struggle to build upon it in subsequent years, falling further behind. We want the very best outcomes for your children to enable them to compete in an increasingly challenging world beyond school.

Carol singing round the tree at school took place last night and we were delighted to be able to welcome the Vocal Harmony Group Treble Clef, who performed, as well as over thirty members of the local community. It was a lovely, jolly time thoroughly enjoyed by all. It is now beginning to feel a lot like Christmas.

We had a special visitor today who left a delivery under the Christmas tree whilst the children were outside during a fire drill. This caused much excitement and a lot of laughter as Mrs Dean read the letter left on the piano, addressed to the Staff and Children of Coldfair Green School.

Stars of the Week

This week our value has been **ACCEPTANCE**. Our pupils of the week for accepting others and their similarities and differences this week are Benedict in Oaks class, Dion in Cherry class, Sofia in Hawthorn class, Albert in Rowan class, Bobby in Chestnut class, Harry M in Silver Birch class and Digby in Redwood class. Our focus on British Values this week has been 'Individual Liberty' and we have talked about how important it is to have choices when deciding what job or work experience to undertake. We have talked about how important it is to choose to attend school regularly and work hard to enable us to reach our goals. We have been reflecting on the Careers Fair and considering next steps with the children and plan to take Year 5 and 6 children to visit some universities in the summer term to develop their understanding of what it means to 'go to university' to study towards a job they want to do. We thought about the question, "Should young people have jobs?" Next term the value we will be focusing on is **FOLLOWING RULES**.

In the Community

Amelia and Chelsey held a cake sale last Friday to raise money for Epilepsy Awareness and raised £50.70. Well done girls. Nicole, Lily and Esme have been awarded their Level 8 in the Gymnastics proficiency Award and Mollie C has passed her Bronze level in Gymnastics on both the Bar and Beam disciplines. Well done to you all!

Attendance

"Ten ticks for a ticket"

Our whole school attendance figure for the year so far is 96.7% and for this week is 94.7%. We are aiming high and want our whole school figure to be as close to 100% as possible. The class with the best attendance this week is, Redwood with 97.1%. ***Two weeks missed a year (the amount of time taken on average for a holiday) for every year during primary school is like missing nine months of a child's primary education and this is the most important time for embedding learning needed for future success as adults.***

House Points

House	Points so far
Red - Mars	593
Yellow - Saturn	678
Green - Earth	799
Blue - Neptune	631

The following children have gained **ten house point certificates this week**: Tyler, Abigail and Mason. The following children have gained **twenty five house point certificates this week**: Corey, Ellie-Mae, James, Finley, Jemma, Max, Alex, Lucas, Lily, Isla and Dolcie. The following children have gained **fifty house point certificates this week**: Ruby N and Ruby M. The following children have gained **seventy five house point certificates this week**: Pearl, Daisy, and Hollie. **Golden Behaviour for Learning Certificates** go to Noah, May and Katie. **Random Acts of Kindness Awards** this week go to Daisy S, Jack B and Ellis. The certificates tell the stories of the kind things our children have done to support others, both within the school and outside in the community. Well done everyone. You should be very proud of yourselves.

Dates for your Diary

19.12.17 Last day of Autumn Term
03.01.18 PD Day - no children in school
04.01.18 Children return to school
09.01.18 Violin lessons restart
16.01.18 PTA Meeting 6pm
18.01.18 Bedtime Stories 5pm
25.01.18 Dental Screening Years R - 4
26.01.18 RE Day
30.01.18 Short Reports Parents' Evening 5-7pm
01.02.18 Harry Potter Book Night - Saxmundham Free School 4.15-5.30pm
05.02.18 Short Report Parents Evenings 3.30-5pm (EYFS 1-5pm)
06.02.18 Violins concert 3.15pm
07.02.18 Full Governing Body Meeting 6pm
08.02.18 Disco
12.02.18 - 16.02.18 HALF TERM