



## The Smile

# South Wootton Infant School Newsletter

Issue 5

Christmas Edition

19th December 2014

### Season's Greetings

We have just spent a festive week in school, preparing ourselves for the holidays to come. Hopefully, you will all have had the chance to see our Christmas show, "Christmas Gifts". Considering the children spent only a week in rehearsal prior to the performances, I am sure you will agree they all did very well and reminded us of the real meaning of Christmas as a time of peace, joy and love.

Today we have finished the term in style with our Christmas Carol service at Church and our Christmas lunch.

It only leaves me to wish the whole community a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.



Our lovely tree from Belford's Nursery

### PTFA Christmas Fayre

This year, the Christmas Fayre was another very successful event, raising in excess of £1100 in around two hours! As ever, members of the PTFA and volunteers worked hard to put on a good event. Watch out in the New Year for a new totaliser which will show how near we are to raising the funds for our outdoor classroom.

### Attendance

You should have received a coloured attendance sheet this week. A green sheet means that your child's attendance is good and is on or above 96%. An orange/amber sheet means that we need to be aware that their attendance is falling behind expectations. A red sheet means that attendance is of concern and will be closely monitored. Any attendance below 85% is deemed persistent absence and will be discussed with the Attendance Officer. It might result in further action.

Please note holidays in term time will not be authorised.

### Starting School 2015

If you or a friend have a child who will be five between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016, they could start school in September 2015. You need to apply to Norfolk County Council for a school place by 15th January 2015. You can apply on-line at [www.admissionsonline.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.admissionsonline.norfolk.gov.uk) or on a form from Norfolk County Council customer service centre. Tel:03448 008020

### Random requests

Miss Claxton has asked if the children could bring in some items to support outdoor learning in Year 1. She needs:-

- Lids off shoeboxes
- Old kitchen utensils / baking tins / saucepans

Please hand any items in to her or the office. Thank you!

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**Smile! Learn! Believe! Achieve!**



### Children of the Week

	1st—5th Dec	8th—12th Dec
<b>Dragonflies</b>	Jack	Brody
<b>Bumble Bees</b>	Oliver G	
<b>Caterpillars</b>	Ethan	
<b>Crickets</b>	Leo	
<b>Ladybirds</b>	Georgia	
<b>Butterflies</b>	Isabelle	

## Diary Dates

### December

Friday 19th December—break up for Christmas

### January

Tuesday 6th January - Back to School

Friday 9th January - Mammoth Birthday assembly

Friday 23rd January - The Snow Queen production in school

### February

Week beg 2nd February—Reading Cafés

Monday 23rd February - Back to school

### March

Monday 2nd March - Parents Evening

Wednesday 4th March - Parents Evening

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day

Thursday 19th March - Tempest Class photos

Friday 27th March - School closes

## Happy Birthday

The children who have or will celebrate their birthday in December are:

Ollie Milnes, Oliver Gayton, Chester Barber and Bella Latchford who are now/ or will be 5 years old.

Isla-Mae Garrod, William Long, Tyshae-Kairelle Campbell, Wesley Howlett, Oscar Barlow and Ralph Neale who are now/ or will be 6 years old.

Erin Wilkin, Erin Cheng, Lara Hindmarsh, Casey Scotney, Kaiden Longstaff and Thomas Robins who are now/ or will be 7 years old.

## Attendance

For the month of December the class with the best attendance was Butterflies with an attendance total of 97.7%

CONGRATULATIONS to them.

Our overall attendance is now at 96.6% which is a decrease on last month.

Our whole school target is 96.5%.

We are currently just above our target but please remember that we do not authorise any holidays in term time.