

28th November 2014

Dear Parents

Class Awards

Awards were given to the following children last week and this week.

Butterflies – Alexander Sinclair for super work in maths last week adding two numbers together to find a total. Martha Pumfrey for working extremely hard all last week and being above the star twice! Archie Stubbs for excellent work in maths this week thinking about money and solving money problems. Daisy Cherry for always showing super manners to her friends and adults. Daisy never forgets to say please and thank you.

Owls – George Stubbs for always showing great effort and enthusiasm in numeracy. Hettie Furneaux for wonderful writing, sending a message in a bottle to describe a desert island. Ruby Barker for making excellent progress in phonics and writing. Ruby wrote a super wanted poster for a mean pirate. Caleb Blane for trying so hard in his handwriting. Caleb is making wonderful progress as a result.

Dragons – Hailey Pullen pushed herself last week and excelled particularly in numeracy. Charlie Goodman tried very hard with his reading last week and made pleasing progress. William Kitchen has worked hard in all subjects and is always kind and polite. Charlie Weedon has been very helpful and several members of staff have put him forward this week. Thank you Charlie.

Rabbits – Evie Fogden and Cate Fryer for working especially hard in maths last week and for really challenging themselves with addition work. William Toes for working especially hard to use the features of a newspaper article. Niamh Healy for careful and precise measurement work and for working

carefully to find missing intervals on scales.

Hedgehogs – Amelia Rowley for excellent reasoning and style when writing a discussion. Annabel Lucas for great practical and organisational skills when organising measuring of perimeter. Theo Biggs and Fynlay Weedon for fantastic behaviour and focus during assessment week, focussing in all subjects and finishing on the star twice this week.

Eagles – Alysia Ryley for writing fantastic Egyptian themed poems. Harley Bond for working extremely hard and enthusiastically to master long division. Sam Crowther for great effort in his reading assessment this week. Oliver Jones for concentrating really hard in art to produce a detailed drawing of an Egyptian artefact.

KS1 Multi Skills

Congratulations to all those children in the Dragon Class who took part in this event. Coming 4th when we are such a tiny school is a fantastic result!

Learning Pod

We are awaiting the arrival of non-slip all weather matting, to replace the plywood currently down outside the classroom. New tables and chairs have been ordered and a smartboard.

Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children

The school will be taking part in Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 12th December. Please see the attached letter for more information. Please note Christmas Jumpers are to be worn with school uniform.

Early Years/KS1 Christmas Nativity

Information and forms for the Early Years/KS1 Nativity have been sent out, please return as soon as possible if you would like tickets. **Please note** that as in the letter, it is 2 tickets per child in total, **not 2 tickets per performance**. If you have made a mistake on your form please call into the office. Thank you.

School Christmas Lunch

Information on the school Christmas lunch on Wednesday 10th December has now been sent out. Please return to the office by **Wednesday 3rd December**.

Mrs Hickey

Mrs Hickey is recovering well from her surgery and hopes to return to school as soon as possible. As soon as we know an exact date, we will let you know.

Thank you

Donation

Thank you to another kind donation towards the school fund. Mrs Barker held Phoenix Card evening, with the commission donated to the school.

School Christmas Tree

We're delighted to announce W.G.Hill & Son of Marsh Gibbon have kindly offered to donate a Christmas tree for the main hall.

PTA Updates

PTA Minutes

The Minutes of the last PTA Meeting are now available on the school website, under the Parents tab.

Mufti Day/Tombola Raffle Prizes

Thank you everyone for your tombola prizes for the Christmas Fayre. We have had a great response so far, but any other prizes would be appreciated. Please hand them into school.

Christmas Tree Decorations

If you have any spare Christmas decorations you would like to donate, please bring them into school as some of our existing decorations have seen better days!

Santa Surprise Cups

Please remember to send in your Santa Surprise Cups by Thursday 4th December.

Cake Stall

Please also remember to bring in cakes for the cake stall at the Christmas Fayre on Friday.

Thank you to everyone for your support for the Christmas Fayre.

Taylan's Willow Structures

The beautiful willow giraffe and tunnel structures in our playing field have recently been perfectly re-woven by Figen Rawlinson. Figen's son Taylan was a just a little boy when he was diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumour and he sadly lost his life aged 7 years old, while he was a Dragon pupil at our school. The willow structures, along with the outdoor classroom, were generously donated to the school in Taylan's memory. Figen continues to work tirelessly to raise awareness and much needed funds in order to help find a cure for this devastating illness, and commemorate Taylan's short and happy life, whilst helping others.

We are very grateful to Figen for her time in helping to maintain the willow structures.

Dates for this Term:

Friday 28th November – PTA Film & Pizza Night 3.15-5.45pm
Friday 5th December – Year 5 Egyptian Day
Friday 5th December – Christmas Fayre 6-8pm
Wednesday 10th December – School Christmas Hot Lunch
Friday 12th December – Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children
Tuesday 16th December – EYFS/KS1 Christmas Nativity 2pm & 5.30pm
Friday 19th December – Carol Service 1.45pm St Mary's Church
Friday 19th December – Break up for Half Term