

The end of a great term and looking forward to 2019



Christmas joy warms the heart

What a busy and exciting month it has been!

Children and staff are enjoying the build up to the end of term and we have been treated to some wonderful performances this week by some of our youngest children in school.

All of our Reception pupils performed a Nativity which was superb. The children confidently sang and acted their way through their production. It was incredible to see our very youngest pupils taking to the stage like ducks to water and what a journey they have made since they started in Gold Class in September. With a sea of smiles for their parents, they really enjoyed taking part and the audience was given an early Christmas treat. The Reception Nativity was followed by the Key Stage 1 performance. Audiences were wowed with 'The Inn Crowd' with a vast array of characters telling the nativity story. The narrators, the cooks, the angels, the farm animals, the wise men, Mary and Joseph and of course the fantastic singers all played their part in what was a great show. Once again, the children all showed how their confidence has grown this year and many took on speaking roles. The nursery children performed Christmas songs with actions and they were wonderful.

I believe that the performances we have seen this month reflect the excellent work being done by the children and staff here at Houghton Regis Primary School. The quality of education a child receives is often judged by many solely by percentages. We are fortunate that pupil attainment and progress is rapidly improving but we are especially proud that our children develop in all other areas too. I want to thank all the parents and carers who have attended this month and also the Early Years (Nursery and Gold classes) and Key Stage 1 teams for producing such lovely performances for the children to enjoy.

I would like to thank all of the staff, governors, PTA and parents for their effort and support throughout the term, and of course our wonderful children for all their hard work too.

The children had very special visitor last week from Santa and the Santa's Grotto in school was outstanding; every child in the school enjoyed visiting Santa and his Elves. Well done and thank you to everyone involved.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope you all have a relaxing and enjoyable break and we will see you all in 2019 when the spring term starts for children on Thursday 3rd January.

Upcoming events

January 2019

Wednesday 2nd – Staff INSET day

Thursday 3rd – Children return back to school

Wednesday 9th – Free school dinner for all children in Gold, Orange, Green and Purple classes

Tuesday 15th – Red class start swimming lessons

Monday 21st – Author visit for years 3, 4, 5 and 6

Tuesday 22nd – Peter Pan Pantomime (9am)

Thursday 24th – Blue class assembly

Thursday 31st – Yellow class assembly

February 2019

Monday 4th – Roald Dahl Museum for Year 2

Tuesday 5th – Parents learning alongside their child session (English) 9-10am

Friday 8th – Mid-Term reports home

Half term Monday 11th February to Friday 15th February

Monday 25th – Children return back to school

Plea from the office staff

We still have 90 unreturned 'Pupil Update Forms'. Please can those families that have not returned them do so as soon as possible with all up to date contact and medical information.



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to each and every one of you.