



# SHILLINGSTONE C.E. V.A. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016

## Dates for diaries:

### **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Unicef Non-Uniform Day

Local Food Links Christmas Lunch

### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

PTA Christmas Party

2.45pm Christmas Carols in Church

End of Term

### **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January**

Staff Training Day

### **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January**

Children back to school

Dear parents/carers,

### **Attendance Figures**

We will be awarding the Attendance Cup at the end of this week. Figures up to last Friday are:

Jungle Class – 95.91%

Woodland Class – 96.18%

Ocean Class – 95.75%

Desert Class – 95.68%

### **PTA News**

Many thanks to everyone who helped Santa when he visited Shillingstone last week, and those who collected money for the Blackmore Vale Lions Club. Each year the club raises money to give to local charities and organisations. This year we raised more than has ever been raised before in Shillingstone! It really was a magical evening.

Last Friday evening was Movie Night at school, where two classrooms were transformed into cinemas showing Elf and Polar Express. The children all came in their pyjamas clutching pillows and blankets ready to snuggle down for the evening, stopping for hot chocolate and biscuits in the interval. A fun evening was had by all.

We now know the total amount raised in our Christmas Fayre was **£1007.65!!** This is an incredible amount thanks to all your kind donations and support on the evening.

Thank you from all the PTA for being so generous.

### **Pyramid Carol Concert**

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Pyramid Carol Concert at Sturminster Newton High School on Monday evening. The children sang beautifully. Thank you to all parents and carers who transported the children to and from Sturminster Newton. We have been told that the sum of £203.71 was raised in the collection and will be sent to the Air Ambulance.

### **Aladdin Pantomime Trip – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

What a fantastic day out we all had at Aladdin yesterday. The whole trip went very well and it was lovely to look along the rows of children to see their excited faces and hear them all join in with the panto banter! We even had some children on stage - lucky Jenson, Sydney, Albie went home with a cuddly penguin for taking part.

### **Hot School Meals**

If you wish the office to process your child's meal selection for spring term please return to the school office by tomorrow (Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>) morning, otherwise you will need to go online during the holidays and make the selection yourself.

### **PTA Christmas Party**

The PTA have kindly organised a Christmas party on Friday. Children may come to school dressed in their party clothes and lunch will be provided by the PTA.

### **Christmas Carols in Church – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

We will be going to church at 2.45pm on Friday for our end of term service. All parents and carers are invited to join us. Children should be collected at 3.15pm from church. If you wish your child to walk back to school with staff please let the office know in advance.

### **Staff Training Day – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January**

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

Wishing everyone a very Happy and Healthy Christmas!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J. Whitehouse-Sharpe

