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Christmas Newsletter

Thursday 6th December 2018

Dear Parents / Carers

I hope you like our Christmas decorations in the school entrance. Pupils will be enjoying a range of Christmas activities over the next two weeks.

Please come along to our Christmas Fair on Friday this week and drum up some sparkle and Christmas razamataz!
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Monday 10th December – Panto at Goodwin Academy – The whole school will be walking to Goodwin Academy for a matinee performance of “Jack and the Beanstalk”. We are expecting the children to return in time for normal collection but please bear with us if the performance overruns slightly. Thank you.

Wednesday 12th December – School Christmas dinner

Thursday 13th December – KS1 Nativity held at St George’s Church, High Street, Deal. The whole school will attend the afternoon performance and all children should be collected from the church at 3.15 pm.

For parents attending the service the doors will be open at 1.30 pm.

Mrs Hodgson will be taking photos which will be available for parents at a later date.

Please be aware that we have a strict code of On Line Safety that works on mutual trust between the school and families. We do allow photographs to be taken but these MUST NOT be put on to any social media platforms in the interests of safeguarding those children who it is not safe for the wider public to have access to. Thank you.

Arrangements for the end of the service collection of children.

Please follow the instructions below so that all children can leave the church with their designated adult safely.

Parents not attending the service are requested to wait at the South door where children can be dismissed by the class teacher. Please DO NOT try to enter the church as this will create a bottle neck.

Please ensure that you inform the class teacher if your child is being collected by someone different to the norm or is allowed to walk home alone.

We will endeavour to finish for 3.15 pm however please be aware that timings may overrun so be prepared for a short delay with regards to parking etc. We thank you for your understanding.

Monday 17th December – Silly Jumper day. All children to wear their usual school uniform please. It is optional to wear a Christmas jumper in place of the uniform green cardigan or jumper.

Please ask your children to take home all of their PE kit and belongings on Monday 17th in order to help us carry out a deep clean over the holidays. Thank you.

Tuesday 18th December – Class parties. Lists for donations of party food and drinks will be put up outside your child’s classrooms in the traditional form.



Wednesday 19th December – Christingle Service.

This year we would like to invite the families of our Year 3 pupils to come and join in our service. The Year 3 pupils will be leading this very gentle and spiritual ending to the Christmas season at school.

Last day of term Wednesday 19th December 2018. **Please remember that this is a usual school day and to collect children from the playground at 3:15pm.**

Thursday 3rd January 2019 – INSET DAY – No school for children

Friday 4th January – Term 3 begins. This one day will break us all back in gently. It is important that children do attend on this day.

MAT update

The latest news regarding the Multi Academy Trust proposal (DEALT) is that all of the Governing Bodies of the seven schools involved have agreed to continue to work through the academisation process. To support the schools as they move towards conversion a legal team and a Chief Finance Officer have been engaged to work alongside the Steering group and Project Manager. Further minutes and documents have recently been added to each school's website and will continue to be in the future.

Parent Governor Election

I am delighted to share the outcome of the recent parent governor elections. Mr Comlay won by a narrow margin and he has accepted the post as the school parent governor.

I was gratified that the school had two such strong applications which reflects both the parent support and commitment towards our school. The School governors and I would like to formally thank Mr Joice for standing for the post and greatly appreciate all his support.

Congratulations to Mr Comlay. Our governors welcome you to the team and hope you find it a rewarding term of office.

Finally, many thanks to all our families who returned their voting slips. It was a good response and again reflects your continued active engagement with your child's school. Thank you.

A moment for reflection

May this eternal truth be always on our hearts
That the God who breathed this world into being
Placed stars into the heavens
And designed a butterfly's wing
Is the God who entrusted his life
to the care of ordinary people
became vulnerable that we might know
how strong is the power of Love
A mystery so deep it is impossible to grasp
A mystery so beautiful it is impossible to ignore
With kind regards and warm seasonal wishes.

Justine Brown

