



December 2014

GREASBY INFANT SCHOOL

Dear Parents

It has been a very busy time over the last few weeks and everyone is ready for a well deserved break. It has been lovely to see so many of you at our Christmas celebrations. Thank you for all your support this term and I would like to wish everyone

*A Wonderful Christmas
and a Happy New Year.*

Mrs J. Hall



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



JANUARY

5th	Spring Term — Teachers only
6th	Children return to school
15th	Year 1 to visit Greasby Methodist Church
26th	Year 2 to visit West Wirral Works am
27th	Year 2 to visit West Wirral Works am

FEBRUARY

16th-20th	Half Term Holiday
23rd	Return to school
Week beginning 23rd	Book Fair—more details to follow

MARCH

2nd	FSC to visit West Wirral Works am
5th	World Book Day
9th	FEH to visit West Wirral Works am
17th	1CH to visit West Wirral Works am
19th	1LH to visit West Wirral Works am

The Christmas Performances

It was lovely to see so many of you at the Christmas concerts this week. The children and staff all worked very hard and I am sure you were as proud of their achievements as I was. All the performances were fantastic and everyone enjoyed these Christmas celebrations



Year 2's performance Hey Ewe told us the nativity story through the experiences of the curious sheep. We even had our own harp playing angels, which were fantastic. All the children were wonderful and really enjoyed performing for you.

Year 1 told the story of Ned's Christmas Discovery. It was amazing and everyone enjoyed all the songs and dances. The performance was a real credit to everyone's hard work.



Foundation classes told the story of their First Nativity. The children were amazing especially when you realise that they have only been in school since September.

Thank you for your support with organising the costumes, the children looked wonderful and it was a lovely way to start our Christmas celebrations.

ATTENDANCE

Procedure for Children Arriving Late

School starts promptly at 8.55am. If a child is late they should enter school via the main entrance and the parent needs to sign the 'late book' which is in the entrance foyer, giving the reason for lateness.

Medical appointments

If you need to collect your child for a medical/dental appointment please report to the school office to sign your child out.

Absence - If your child is ill and will not be attending school it is important that you contact the school office as soon as possible on the first day of absence. You can either phone, e-mail or call into the office.



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Class Attendance this term



2LP 98.1%
FEH 96.4%

1LH 97.4%
FSC 95.9%

2JB 97.1%
1CH 95.6%

The National Average for attendance is 96%, nearly all our classes are above this. Well done!

Recent School Activities

Royden Park—Year 1 children enjoyed their visit to Royden Park on 12th November as part of their Woodland theme. They explored the park looking at the different trees and autumn leaves.



Blue Planet—The F2 children had an amazing time when they visited the Blue Planet Aquarium on 13th November, as an introduction to their Under the Sea theme. Everyone enjoyed seeing all the fish, although a few children thought the sharks were “huge”!

Children in Need—We had lots of Superheros in school on 14th November, when we raised money for Children in Need. Thanks to all your support we raised £140 and the children had lots of fun.



Junior Chefs—Everyone enjoyed making their Italian Pesto Pasta Salad, when the Junior Chefs visited school on 24th & 25th November to work with each class. The salads looked delicious and the children enjoyed taking them home to eat.

Special Visitor— On 28th November Esther McVey visited school to present one of our children with a prize for being runner in her Christmas Card competition. It was lovely to welcome her to our school.



Pantomime

On 8th December, Year 2 had a fantastic time when they went to Greasby Junior School to watch the pantomime. Many thanks to Mr Martin, his staff and pupils for such an enjoyable afternoon.

Christmas Carol Service

The children enjoyed celebrating Christmas at St John's Church on Friday 12th December. We hope that you all enjoyed sharing this celebration with us and we would like to thank Rev Ken Owen for supporting the school.



Christmas Party Day The children had lots of fun on 18th December and were very excited when our very special visitor came to give them their Christmas gifts. Thank you to FOGIS for making sure Father Christmas



knew that all our children had been very good this year and deserved their presents. Also a big thank you to FOGIS for all their hard work this term organising discos, raffles and the Christmas party. FOGIS makes a huge difference to the range of activities taking place in school and we all appreciate their support.

CHARITY NEWS

Christmas Charity Collections



The collections at the end of our Christmas Concerts were in aid of Claire House. Thanks to your generous donations we raised over £230, which will be used to support families who need this specialised care.

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who has supported all our charities this term. We have raised an amazing £720.84 for the four charities we have collected for; Children in Need, Macmillan, Save the Children and Claire House. Thank you also for the Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes and the Harvest gifts for Response and Forum Housing. Everyone has been so kind and generous.

SCHOOL MEALS

The children really enjoyed their Christmas Lunch on 17th December as did all the staff!



A big thank you to Jane, Dave and Dilys, and to all the Midday Assistants for all their hard work this term and for making lunchtimes special for all the children.

100 Club

Congratulation to D Percy and B Carroll who were the 100 Club draw winners for November and December.

Good Luck to everyone for the next draw in the New Year.

Governor Update

Since our recent governor elections there has been another resignation from the Governing Body. Mr P Sharpe has stepped down and therefore Mr Ian Dickson, who came second in the election will begin his term of office as parent governor in the Spring term. Many thanks to Mr Sharpe for all his support as parent governor over the last three years.

School will be closed for a staff development day on
Monday 5th January 2015
and will re-open for the children on
Tuesday 6th January 2015