



Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017

## Diary Dates:

### December:

19<sup>th</sup> Class parties  
20<sup>th</sup> Church service at Emmanuel  
20<sup>th</sup> **SCHOOL ENDS FOR  
CHRISTMAS BREAK 2:00**

### January 2018

8<sup>th</sup> Return to school  
12<sup>th</sup> Y6 Sport skills academy  
19<sup>th</sup> 4PK Sport skills academy  
26<sup>th</sup> 34R Sport skills academy  
26<sup>th</sup> FOL Movie night [TBC]

### February 2018

2<sup>nd</sup> 3L Sport skills academy  
5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Book Fair  
5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Assessment week  
9<sup>th</sup> 2G Sport skills academy  
9<sup>th</sup> **SCHOOL ENDS FOR HALF  
TERM AT NORMAL TIME**

Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who has supported our activities over the past month, in particular the **Friends of Larkfield**, who have planned, organised and run the Christmas Discos, Breakfast with Santa and the prize draw to provide some fun for the children and much needed funds for school 'extras'.

The school council has also had a very successful time, with a fabulous £365.28 being raised for Children in Need and a truly staggering response to the Sock appeal in aid of the Salvation Army. We have collected an enormous number of pairs of socks - amounting to five sacks full, which will be put to very good use by the recipients during this cold weather and beyond. A sincere thanks for all your generosity.

### Parent Governors:

As I mentioned in my last letter, we have two new parent governors who are: Andy Pratt and Linda Lavery. Both have children in 2G and Linda also has a child in 4PK. The governing body look forward to making good use of both of their considerable skill sets in continuing to move Larkfield forwards.

### Attendance and punctuality:

Regular, punctual attendance is essential to children's progress in school. Our analysis has highlighted a number of children who are constantly late, which not only impacts their learning, but also that of the other children in their class. Others regularly miss specific days too frequently. Some children will be bringing home letters with details of attendance in advance of a meeting with me to discuss how we can work together to improve the situation. At this stage, it is intended that it will be a supportive process, however particularly poor attendance will be referred to the Educational Welfare service.

### Reception Parents Health Questionnaire:

There has been a very poor response to this survey, which is used to plan healthcare services locally. If you haven't already done so, please visit <http://liverpool.hapi-system.com/school-entry> and use the password Sefton\_17 to complete the survey.

### Singing Club:

We have had a busy Christmas period, singing at no less than four events this month! Thankyou to the dedicated parents that turned out to support us on each occasion. We really appreciate it!

### Key Stage 1 production - Born in a barn

Well done to all the children in YR to Y2, who were truly magnificent in their production last week. Thanks also to all the parents and relatives who supported both shows so well.



### School Carol Service:

Our final event of this year will be the whole school Carol service, which takes place at Emmanuel church on Wednesday at 1pm. Please come along and support us and join in with the Carols! Children will be dismissed from the church immediately after the service at approx. 1:45pm.

Finally, I would like to wish all our families a peaceful and relaxing break and a Happy and prosperous New Year and, to those who celebrate it, a very merry Christmas.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. J. Ward  
Head Teacher

