



# Oakhill Primary School NEWS BULLETIN

7 December 2018

## Notices

The school is beginning to look Christmassy with our trees now decorated (thank you FOSA) and rehearsals well underway for next week's performances.

**Sports events:** this week a team of children took part in the Winter Games. This is the second time the event has been held and it involves indoor activities based on the skills needed for skiing and bobsleigh amongst others, which are all designed to develop teamwork skills.

Today pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 took part in a Badminton festival at Peter May. The event was not a competition but an opportunity to experience a range of activities developing the skills needed for badminton.

**Cross Country:** I am looking forward to the cross country on Saturday morning, we have had an incredible amount of interest and I am expecting 46 children to run. Good luck to all (and since we have had so much rain, make sure you tape your trainers on or you may end up with less than you started with!)

**Special treat:** today we were visited by the Redbridge Drama Centre actors who performed the classic story of 'A Christmas Carol' for pupils in Year 1, 4, 5 and 6. Children in Years 2 and 3 saw the performance last year so we will look to arranging a special event for them later in the year so that they don't miss out. We will also arrange something for the children in Nursery and Reception for another time. Thank you to FOSA who have funded this event and made it possible.

**Open Morning:** On Thursday, parents were invited in to learn more about progression in maths and the expectations of the National Curriculum. Thank you to the parents who attended who said that they enjoyed spending time and learning with their children in class and that they felt more informed about what is now expected of the children as they move through the school. The children also really enjoyed having their parents in class with them. We will schedule another open morning for the New Year and look forward to seeing many families then.

### Dates for Next Week

**Tuesday 11th December**

2.30 Year R & 1 Nativity

**Thursday 13th December**

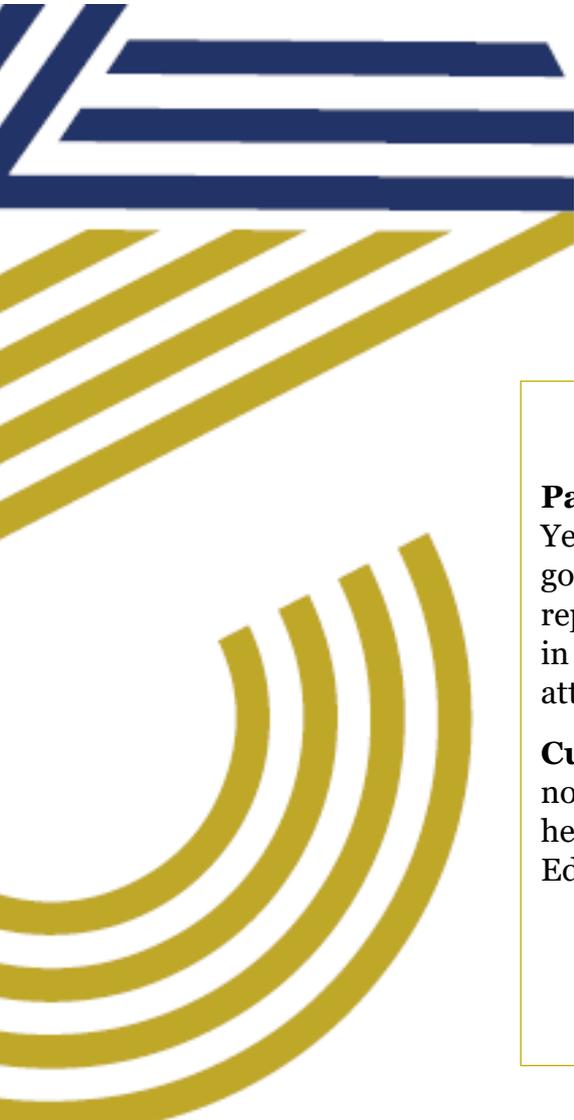
Nursery Stay & Play Sessions @  
11.00am & 2.30pm

**Friday 14th December**

Christmas Jumper Day  
9.00 Parents of Years 2-4  
Christmas Carol Concert  
10.30 Parents of Years 5-6  
Christmas Carol Concert  
Christmas Dinner  
3.30 Winter Bazaar

**Friday 21st December**

Last day of term



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**Parent meeting:** on Thursday evening, parents of children in Years 5 and 6 were asked to attend a meeting with staff and governors. Thank you to all who attended, the meeting will be repeated for parents of children in Years 3 and 4 then 1 and 2 early in the Spring Term. Parents of Year 5 and 6 pupils who did not attend this week have asked to attend in the Spring Term.

**Cup of kindness:** Congratulations to Eddie in year 6 one who was nominated today for this award. The children in the class said that he is a good friend and includes everyone in games. Well done Eddie.

## Star of the Week

**Year 1** – Ellis for fantastic effort in all areas of learning everyday.

**Year 2** – Alex for making a fantastic effort at school each and everyday – Well done!

**Year 3** – Harry for always being polite and having a positive attitude towards his learning.

**Year 4** – Harry for amazing presentation and handwriting in his books.

**Year 5** – Chase for an amazing effort in writing – fantastic personification and language.

**Year 6-1** – Joseph for his politeness across the school to all adults and children. Also, for his good use of vocabulary in his writing.

**Year 6-A** – Sophie for always putting 100% into all her leaning, including at Breakfast Club.

## Attendance

**Week: 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

**Highest: 99.3% = Year 3**

The school operates a zero tolerance approach to absence during term time, for further information please refer to our attendance procedures.

***If your child is unwell, please report his/her absence on the ParentMail App***

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**[www.oakhillschool.org.uk](http://www.oakhillschool.org.uk)**

**Please note that the school does not accept email correspondence from parents**

## Upcoming Dates

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

First day of Term

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January**

Year 3 Natural History Museum

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

5.00pm Reception Parent Information Session

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January**

3.00pm Year 2 Class Assembly

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**

Year 5 British Museum

Reception & Year 6 – Hearing & Vision Check

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January**

Year 1 Science Dome at Thorpe Hall

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January**

INSET Day – School Closed