



Dallington CEP School

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Christmas fair

On Friday 1st December FODS held their annual Christmas fair. It was a wonderful afternoon that was really well supported by parents and children from the past, present and future. Father Christmas made space in his diary to stop in and visit our wonderful children and hand out some presents. We don't have a final total yet but more important than the money raised was the atmosphere, the sense of belonging and support that was so evident on the afternoon. A massive thank you to everyone in FODS for all your hard work, it was a great afternoon.

Carol concert

Also on 1st December, the children from Brightling class travelled to Kings Church in Heathfield for the Woodlands Federation carol concert. It is the second year this concert has been staged and it was another stunning evening of carols, poetry and brilliant children. The children were a credit to the school and the parents who came along to support. A massive thank you to Mrs Bloom and her team for all their preparation, Paul Rutherford for transporting extra chairs across for us and of course the children for being wonderful ambassadors of our school.



Decoration making morning

On Wednesday 29th December all of the children not only came to school looking very Christmassy, they also made some beautiful decorations to ensure the school looked equally as Christmassy. If you have not had a chance to have a look at our decorations please do come in. Thank you to all the parents who were able to come in and support us.

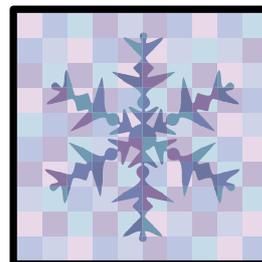
Nativity

On Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th December the school held its annual whole school nativity. As always there were two lovely performances – with the children shining bright and our families out in force to support us. Thank you to everybody who helped make these two performances so special.





If we need to close during the day, we will Parentmail and text out as a matter of urgency; we would ask that you spread the word to other parents too.



Collection

Prior to the Nativity it was my sad duty to inform all of Dallington School that our friend and colleague Fred 'the coach driver' had passed away. He had been poorly for a while but none of us knew how severe his illness had been. Our information is coming to us from his employers and the information we have received has been limited. His funeral is next week but the family have asked that it is a private affair with just them present. Lots of the children have made cards that we will send on to the family. We wanted to make a contribution to a charity named by the family, they asked for all monies raised to go to a cancer charity. I am overwhelmed to say that because of your generosity Dallington School will be donating £300 in Fred's name. Thank you for your kindness and giving.

Snow procedure

I hope that I'm not tempting fate! If we have very bad weather and need to close the school, this is the procedure: If the snow or ice comes over night, a decision will be made by 7am as to whether it is safe to open the school. If the decision is taken not to open then a notice will be placed on our website. At the same time ESCC will be informed and a notice will be available on their website; you can also sign up for an 'alert' from ESCC if our school is closed. Local radio stations will also be informed, but this tends to be quite slow.

Post box

If your child is using the school post box to deliver their Christmas cards please ensure the envelopes are addressed with names and classes. It makes it easier for our postal pixies to deliver them! Thank you

Term dates

December

School Disco	8 th December 4-6pm
Christmas party	15 th December pm
Christmas lunch	14 th December 12:15pm
Pantomime	18 th December –all am
Carols	19 th December – 2pm
Term 2 finishes	19 th December
INSET day	20 th December

January

INSET day 2nd January 2018
 Term 3 starts 3rd January 2018

Term 2	Mon 30 Oct 17	Wed 20 Dec 17
Christmas holiday	Thurs 21 Dec 17	Mon 1 Jan 18
Term 3	Tues 2 Jan 18	Fri 9 Feb 18
February holiday	Mon 12 Feb 18	Fri 16 Feb 18
Term 4	Mon 19 Feb 18	Thurs 29 Mar 18
Spring holiday	Fri 30 Mar 18	Fri 13 Apr 18
Term 5	Mon 16 Apr 18	Fri 25 May 18
May holiday	Mon 28 May 18	Fri 1 Jun 18
Term 6	Mon 4 Jun 18	Fri 20 Jul 18

