

Head Teacher's Comment – from Helen Davies

The school feels very quiet today with all of our year 2 and year 5 children out at the National Space Centre. They have all arrived safely and are eager to explore.

It is feeling very festive around school now that our Christmas tree is up. Our KS1 children can't wait to show you their fabulous performance on Tuesday and Wednesday. Don't forget your tickets.

Our KS2 children have taken part in lots of sporting events recently, including Cross Country, Gymnastics and Rugby. I am so proud at how hard they have worked and how well they represented the school both with their sporting ability and their behaviour and attitude to the competitions. They have done wonderfully well.

Latest news and information from Isle of Ely Primary School...

Decoration morning

We are looking forward to seeing many of you on Monday morning for Christmas decoration morning. As previously stated, please remember do drop your child off at normal time and then wait in the playground for registers to be taken. You will be invited into classes at 08:45am when the registers have been taken. Be prepared to leave covered in glitter!

KS1 Christmas Performance

The children have been practicing very hard and are sounding brilliant. Don't forget that all children in KS1 need to be back at school for 4.30pm to be ready for the performance. Costumes will be kept at school ready for them to change into.

Class news

Updates on each individual class have now been moved to the website on the individual class page. This should mean that you can have more regular updates that are class specific- it also allows us to add pictures to celebrate amazing learning!

Book Fair

A huge thank you for all of your support with the Book Fair last week. It was a definite success! As a school you have raised a massive £341.73 for us to purchase new books. We can't wait to start spending it.

Data collection

Next week we will be sending out data collection sheets to all parents as we are aware we have some incorrect information on our system. This means that we are not receiving all of the funding we are entitled to which could really benefit the children at our school. If you could all please carefully check your child's information and if there are any changes which need to be made please send these back via the class teacher. If there are no amendments to be made there is no need to return the form. Please be especially mindful of whether your child has English as an additional language (EAL) or whether you could be entitled to free school meals. Thank you.

Christmas jumper day

We are looking forward to celebrating Save the Children's Christmas jumper day on Friday 13th December. Please remember the children should bring £1 with them to donate to the charity and they can wear their Christmas jumper over their school uniform.

Staff changes in January

After Christmas we welcome Mr Sinfield into Caterpillar class and say goodbye to Mrs Bates. We would like to thank Mrs Bates for her hard work and wish her well in her next adventure. Mrs Carter will not be working within Wasp class as class teacher but will be working in the school in a different capacity.

After School club

A quick reminder that the school run after school club for children from YN to Y2 will be held in Little Elvers on Wednesday 11th and Wednesday 18th December. If your child normally attends these sessions you will need to collect them from Little Elvers.

Sleeps till Santa

The children's rendition of Sleeps till Santa will be aired between 7.30am and 8.30am on Monday 9th December. You can either listen to them live or use the following link. They will be on BBC Radio Cambridgeshire.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p07thhts>

PTA News

Children's Disco – 18 December

Years R, 1 and 2 will have a disco 4pm-5pm. Years 3, 4 and 5 will have theirs 5.15pm to 6.15pm.

Suggested donation is £2, payable on the day. Juice and water will be provided.

If your child attends fireflies please arrange with fireflies if you would like them taken to the disco. If your child attends after school club and you want them taken to the disco, please email the office admin@isleofelyprimary.org.

Thank you so much to parents who offered to help; not needed on this occasion.

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IOE Weekly Newsletter

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Diary dates & events

Next week:

- Monday 9th December – Christmas decoration morning, parents can join in
- Monday 9th December – Years 3 and 4 trip to St Marys.
- Monday 9th December – Open session for 2020 Reception intake at 2pm
- Monday 9th December – Moth Parents evening 3.30-5.30pm
- Tuesday 10th December – KS1 performance at 9am (for parents with siblings)
- Wednesday 11th December – KS1 performance at 2pm
- Wednesday 11th December – KS1 performance at 5pm
- Wednesday 11th December – Moth class parents evening 3.30pm -5.30pm
- Thursday 12th December – Whole school flu immunisation
- Friday 13th December – Save the Children Christmas Jumper day
- Friday 13th December – Christmas lunch menu
- Friday 13th December – YR dress rehearsal for Christmas Performance

Forward Planning:

- Monday 16th December – 9am and 2.15pm Reception class Nativity
- Tuesday 17th December – 9am Little Elvers Nativity
- Wednesday 18th December – PTA Children's Disco. KS1 at 4pm and KS2 5.15pm
- Wednesday 18th December – Surprise visit for Little Elvers at 9.30am
- Thursday 19th December 2019 – Last day of term
- Wednesday 8th January 2020 – First day of term (Monday 6th January and Tuesday 7th January are staff training day)
- Thursday 9th January 2020 – Open session for 2020 Reception intake at 9am
- Friday 17th January 2020 – Parent council at 8.45am

2019/2020 Term dates:

Spring term: Monday 6th January (6th & 7th January PD days – school closed to children) to Thursday 2nd April

Half term: Friday 14th February (PD day – school closed to children) to Friday 21st February 2020

Spring (Easter Holiday): Friday 3rd April 2020 to Sunday 19th April 2020 (includes Bank Holidays)

Summer term: Monday 20th April 2020 to Tuesday 21st July 2020

Half term: Monday 25th May 2020 (May Bank Holiday) to Friday 29th May 2020

Bank Holiday: Friday 8th May (School closed to children)