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As we head into the final week there are just a few reminders for you all to note:



Wednesday 17th December - KS1 Christmas Play at 9:00

Wednesday 17th December - Y5 Christmas Play at 6:30

Thursday 18th December - Class Parties at 1:30

Friday 19th December - KS1 Carols at 9:00 & KS2 Carols at 10:00

Friday 19th December, end of term at 2:30

Homework Books

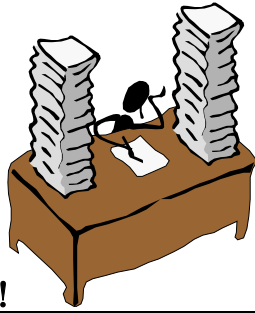


I note that your children all received “Workabooks” a few weeks ago. I hope they are keeping up to date and even though they were given free of charge I hope all children are keeping them neat and tidy, and no pages have started to fall out

Sports Clubs



It is really important that your child receives good quality PE and is well coached. Sadly I have noticed that some behaviour, particularly for After School Clubs, is not good enough and is spoiling it for the coaches, teachers, and most of all, your children. If poor behaviour continues I will ban a child from attending an after school club until they learn to participate properly and allow all children to receive the coaching they are entitled to.



Its been a bit busy !!

The adults at school have been working tirelessly over the past few weeks and months to try and push through many of the improvements school needs to make. It is vital that you continue to raise issues that we need to know in a respectful manner, allowing us to deal with them. It goes without saying though that the staff at St. Andrew and St. Francis deserve a bit of a rest and I hope they forget about work for a fortnight and enjoy the forthcoming Christmas Break.



A bit of a moan, sorry.

I have noticed that some parents are very late collecting their children from after school clubs. It is not right that the office staff make repeated phone calls. Regretably I will withdraw your child's place from a club if they are picked up late after three occasions. I would also like to point out that many parents and children are still on the playground at 3:50. This is twenty minutes after the bell rings to signify the end of the day. Please ensure children are taken home promptly, if not then I will start a rule that states that the last parent out has to stay and help us all tidy up

...and a polite request regarding parking



We are very lucky to have understanding Traffic Wardens in our area who allow parents a short waiting time to collect children at the end of the day in Belton and Villers Roads. Please remember that any spaces taken up at the end of the day are generally for the use of local residents. In order for us to continue with this good relationship with the Traffic Wardens and local community, please do not park for too long and ensure that you arrive and leave respectfully. Please note that the school will not be held responsible for any parking fines gathered by cars parked for too long or for any issues raised by residents.



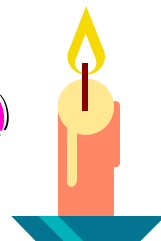
Pupil Questionnaires

Quite recently a member of the Interim Executive Board of Governors sent out a questionnaire for all pupils to complete in class. Questions were focussed around life in school in general and how children feel about safety. The results are back in and Mr Kelly will be raising some of these at the first School Council meeting.

Christmas entertainment at home

As the Christmas holiday approaches, I am sure many families will be thinking of ways to keep the children engaged for two weeks. Please remember that our children are, at the oldest, 11 years old. Many of them come to school with tales of films they have watched and video games they have played which contain adult material of various types. Please give some thought to what your child is watching and playing over the holidays and ensure that the content is suitable to their age group. There are many films and games which provide just as much fun, but which do not put young children at risk.

Remember – we all have a duty of care to safeguard our children.



Finally.....

I have only known you a few weeks since I began on 24th November but I wish everyone the very best for Christmas and the New Year. The children will return to school at the normal time on Tuesday 6th January 2015

Mr R.M. Roberts

Interim Headteacher