

Headteacher's Newsletter 4

December 2022

I can't believe that we are nearly at the end of term - there are still a lot of exciting things to pack into this week though!

Christmas Shop

I would like to say a huge thank you to the parents who organised and ran the Christmas Shop. It was a lovely magical experience which was really loved by the children.

Colonel Custard

Colonel Custard will be coming to do two performances for the children on Friday morning. He is such fun and the children really love his shows. Many thanks to those who have made the voluntary contribution. Whilst we understand that this is voluntary, if we do not receive enough donations we will be unable to continue to book this event in the future.

Attendance

As per our Attendance Policy, we will be sending home an attendance record at the end of this week, with your child's attendance for the Autumn Term. Whilst we understand that children do get ill, and last week in particular we had many children who were unwell, we are still required to aim for 96% attendance. Hopefully some of the nasty bugs that are going around at the moment, will settle during the two weeks' break. If your child has been or is still poorly, I wish them a speedy recovery and hope they are well in time for the holidays.

PE Uniform - Key Stage One only

We have decided to make a change to our PE Uniform Policy for Year One and Year Two children. For Foundation Stage children there will be no **change**. We will be asking children to come into school wearing their PE kit on their PE days. We hope that this will reduce the amount of lost property and it will certainly lengthen our PE lessons. We would like children to wear a navy tracksuit (or navy shorts, weather depending) with their usual white polo shirt. None of these items need to have logos on. I do not want you to rush out and buy clothes if you already have other suitable clothes that fit for now, but I would ask that as they are outgrown and as you replace them, you adhere to these colours. We would like to start this after Christmas, at least wearing white polo shirts as you already have these, and would hope that by Easter, the majority of children will be wearing the appropriate uniform. Please do remember to name the items, just in case jumpers are removed in warmer weather! It is also perfectly acceptable to wear shorts under tracksuit bottoms in colder weather if your child would like the option to remove them or not. Thank you for your support with this.

Year One PE Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays

Year Two PE Days: Mondays and Fridays

We finish school at 3.00pm on Friday and I would like to remind you that there will be no After School Club on this day. I would like to thank you for your ongoing support. We wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming you back on Wednesday 4th January 2023.

Daniela Thompson Headteacher

Attendance

Our whole school attendance so far this academic year is 95.4%.

Good attendance is 96% or above and this is our target. We are so close!

Giraffes' Class was the class with the highest attendance last week and Giraffes' Class has the overall highest attendance since September – well done!



Upcoming Events

13.12.22- Year One Christmas Parties

13.12.22 – Year Two children to Loughton School Winter Wonderland

14.12.22- Year Two Christmas Parties

15.12.22 - FS Christmas Parties

16.12.22 - Colonel Custard Entertainer

16.12.22 - 3.00pm - School closes

Tuesday 3rd January – INSET Day – School Closed

Wednesday 4th January – First day of the Spring Term for children

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