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FRIDAY 20 DECEMBER 2018



I would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year. I hope you all enjoy a restful and healthy break with family and friends.
I look forward to seeing you all in January.

Mrs Frampton

Staff Training Day – school closed to pupils

As previously published the school is closed tomorrow to pupils for staff training.
We return to school on Monday 7th January.

School Lunches

Don't forget to order your child's school lunches for 7th January 2019 onwards. Orders to be in by 3rd January 2019, thank you.

We would like to wish you a happy Christmas and send you best wishes
For the New Year!

Rose, Head Girl and Alfie, Head Boy
Ella, Deputy Head Girl and Liam, Deputy Head Boy

After school clubs

Please make sure you read the letter about after school clubs and the way of signing up.
The lists open on Wednesday 9th January.

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Christmas

In school we have been learning about the Christmas story in class and in assemblies.

- We have seen some amazing nativity performances from KS1 and Year R.
 - KS2 sang beautifully in The Priory at our carol service.
- We ate a delicious Christmas lunch cooked by Mrs Barnes and her team – thank you!
 - We danced and played and ate some more at our class parties.
- We were visited by Father Christmas himself and he even gave each class a present or two!
 - We raised an incredible amount at our Christmas Fair and firework event.
 - Our school elf came back to visit and brought a friend this year.

Wow! What a lot of fun! Thank you to the wonderful staff for making it such a magical time for the children.



Twitter

Somerford Primary now has its own Twitter account and we have already started tweeting. We are now up to 32 followers! There will be a prize for the 50th follower – will it be you?! There will be more prizes for followers to come so spread the word. Search for @mrsfsomerford

In the parent survey, some parents wanted better communication and reminders about events. Signing up to the school's Twitter feed is a good way of having these.

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for your contributions.
We raised £195!

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Boxes needed!

Year 2 would love to receive any boxes – small or large- that you can donate on the first day back for their Wow day – thank you.

Non Uniform day for Foodbank

Thank you for your generosity at such an expensive time of year. Yet again we have provided a significant amount of food for Christchurch Foodbank which will directly help families in need.

Families eligible for free school meals would have received a Foodbank parcel voucher this week. If you are not eligible for free school meals but need the help of the Foodbank, please come and talk to a member of staff.

Attendance

On Tuesday we presented a range of certificates for children to celebrate good attendance at school. We were all especially proud of those children who received the teacher's choice award for really trying hard and making improvements in their attendance.

Your child will have brought home their termly attendance chart today showing their attendance against national expectations. If you have any questions please speak to your child's class teacher.

At the end of the first term, the two classes winning the whole school attendance race are 6DC and 5CC – well done!

The school's attendance target is 96%.

Whole school – 94.92%

Year 6 – 94.70%

Year 5 – 95.07%

Year 4 – 94.95%

Year 3 – 94.15%

Year 2 – 95.60%

Year 1 – 93.72%

Well done to Year 5 and 6 for improvements this week.
Year 2, you are so close to 96%! Let's see if you can make it after January.

The next newsletter will be on Friday 11th January 2019

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