

# Folly Hill Infant School

## Newsletter 4

### December 2019

Dear Parents,



*5 Sleeps to GO!*

*Thank you for your support this term.*

*The Folly Hill Team wish you all a Merry Christmas.*

#### Rainbow class

We have had a brilliant December filled with Christmas fun. The children have enjoyed learning about the Christmas story, writing Christmas cards to each other and lots of Christmas crafting!

We had a lovely morning decorating cupcakes with Willa's mum! Some of the children decorated with a Christmas theme and others chose butterflies or flowers. They carefully cut out the icing shapes, arranged them on the cakes and sprinkled with stars. Thank you, we had so much fun!!



#### Sunshine class

Sunshine class have been busy getting ready for Christmas! They have made Nativity scenes, stockings (which have been on show at St Andrew's church), salt dough decorations and have listened to lots of Christmassy stories. We are looking forward to wearing Christmas clothes on the last day of term and a good rest! Merry Christmas from Sunshine Class!

## Moonbeam class 🌙

What a busy few weeks it has been!  
Our project on the great fire of London resulted in a fantastic display of Tudor houses which the children had made for their home learning project. We then, with much excitement and a bit of nervousness, set light to them to see how quickly the fire could spread. We learnt about fire safety and how our houses today are much safer.



We learnt about the building materials used in Tudor time and then had a very muddy afternoon making Wattle and Daub walls using the willow cut from our wildlife area.



The last week of term has been a wonderful Christmas celebration with Christmas performances, Christmas lunch with hats made from recycled materials.

### **Friends:**

What a fantastic Christmas Fair we had last week - we hope the children enjoyed themselves! We raised over £800, so thank you for all of your support, whether you helped with the set up, manned a stall, made a donation, bought a raffle ticket or attended with your children - we really appreciate it and the school will no doubt already have grand plans as to where the money will be going to in the New Year!

Thank you also for your generous donations after the Christmas plays this week, not only did we cover the costs of the performance licence, but also raised over £300 for the Friends. Our next Friends meeting will be on Wednesday 15th January, 7.45pm at the Alma Pub and we'd love to see you there.

There will be some more great events coming in the New Year, so keep an eye on the newsletter and Friends Facebook page to find out more. From all of the Friends committee thank you very much for all of your ongoing support and Merry Christmas!

### **Christmas Plays:**

Well done children, the Christmas performances really were fantastic. Thank you all for supporting them, we are so very proud of them all.



### **Attendance:**

Well done all those children that had 100% attendance this term, they have received certificates. Don't forget if your child is sick or not attending school for any other reason, please ring Mrs Mann in the office to let us know.

### **After School Clubs for Next Term:**

All clubs can be booked ready for the start of the Spring term. Please see our website for further information on booking and dates. <http://www.folly-hill.surrey.sch.uk/clubs>

### **Admissions:**

The closing date for Reception and Junior applications for September 2020 entry is **15 January 2020.**

Surrey County Council encourage online applications via <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app> however parents can also request a paper application form or seek impartial help in completing an application via the Surrey Schools & Childcare Service (0300 200 1004). Full information is available on Surrey's website at [www.surreycc.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/primaryadmissions).

Applications received after the closing date without good reason will be treated as late and will not be considered until all on time applications have been processed. This may jeopardise the chance of a parent being offered one of their preferred schools for their child.



Visits into school:



We watched a fantastic production by the Pied Piper Company. The children were spellbound by the 'Star in a Jar'.



Mr Marvel wowed the children with his hilarious magic show.

## *Important dates for your diary*

### **January**

- 6<sup>th</sup> Inset Day
- 7<sup>th</sup> Children return to school
- 15<sup>th</sup> Friends meeting 7.45pm at The Alma
- 24<sup>th</sup> Movie Night for Moonbeam class – 5.30pm
- 31<sup>st</sup> Dress down day - children can wear their own clothes to school and bring in some chocolate for the chocolate tombola

### **February**

- 4<sup>th</sup> Phonics session for Sunshine and Moonbeam parents 9.00am – 9.15am
- 7<sup>th</sup> Go Orange Day – wear orange to raise awareness and money for muscular dystrophy
- 12<sup>th</sup> Parents invited to view this terms topic work at 2.30pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> Valentine's Cake Sale 2.30pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> Break up at 3.00pm for half term
- 24<sup>th</sup> Inset Day
- 25<sup>th</sup> Children return to school
- 26<sup>th</sup> Friends meeting and social 7.45pm at The Alma

### **March**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> St David's Day– children can wear their club uniform e.g. Beavers, Rainbows.
- 5<sup>th</sup> World Book Day – wear pyjamas to school and bring in your favourite book.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Children invited to a bedtime story and hot chocolate with Mrs Stone 4.30pm – 5.30pm
- 10<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultations 5.00pm – 7.30pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> Sunshine visit Winchester Science Museum
- 12<sup>th</sup> School Nurse visiting YR children born between Sep-Feb
- 12<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultations 3.15pm – 5.30pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> School Disco 5.00pm – 6.00pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> St Patrick's Day - children can wear their club uniform e.g. Beavers, Rainbows
- 30<sup>th</sup> Class photographs