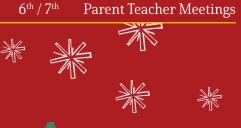
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#### **Upcoming Dates**

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	December
19 <sup>th</sup>	Y3&4 Sing Up
19 <sup>th</sup>	Y5 Carol Service
20 <sup>th</sup>	Y3&4 Sing Up
21 <sup>st</sup>	End of Term @ 2pm
	January
8 <sup>th</sup>	INSET Day
9 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of Term
10 <sup>th</sup>	Rec Dinosaur Workshop
15 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup>	Art of Brilliance Week
30 <sup>th</sup>	Rugby Match vs TPA
30 <sup>th</sup> Y3 Ancient Egypt Workshop	
	February
$2^{nd}$	Number Day
$2^{\rm nd}$	Y3 Collective Worship
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Friends' School of DJ



Book Fair

 $6^{th}/7^{th}$ 



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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fabulous week! Such wonderful performances from all the children in our Year 1 and 2 Nativity and Reception Nativity. They were absolute stars shining a light on the Christmas story.

Last Friday the children enjoyed a tasty Christmas lunch, with several mentioning how delicious the sprouts were! A big thank you to the kitchen staff for preparing such a feast and all the staff who helped serve and clear up.

> With warm wishes, Ms Helen Swain Headteacher







## **Christmas Fair and Tree Sale**

The Friends raised a staggering £16,706 at the Christmas fair and, added to the sale of Christmas trees and the Christmas cards, a total of just under £20,000. An amazing feat! Thank you again to everyone involved and to all those who gave so generously.

# **Sleeping Beauty Pantomime**

On Monday we really enjoyed watching the pantomime, Sleeping Beauty. There were a lot of amazing scenes and interactive parts for the audience. It was a wonderful experience for the school. Thank you to the Friends.

Vanessa, Matilda & Chloe (5SK)





# A message from the Friends

#### Friends Festive Update

What a fantastic end to a busy year. It was wonderful to see so many families joining us for some festive fun during our Christmas fair. Despite the cold weather, everyone seemed to get fully into the Christmas spirit and the excited buzz around the school was a joy to experience. Thank you to the reps from years two and five for organising such a great day. We are delighted to announce that the fair made £16,706.10. Well done to everyone, this is an incredible amount of money!

December's money making didn't stop there...The Christmas cards

initiative made a fantastic £1433.44, so thank you to Clare Leon for her ongoing support to deliver the cards and personalised gifts. A massive thank you too to the dads who gave up their Sunday to sell Christmas trees, generating a whopping £1,858.76.

Thank you to everyone who works so hard to support the work of the Friends. The money we raise makes a huge difference to the school and helps to provide some of the basic resources needed as well as some of the treats too – like the Pantomime that the children were able to enjoy this week!

We would like to say a big thank you to Ben Ayliffe who has supported the Friends as Deputy Chair. He has decided to step down from this role, so we want to thank him for all of his support.

We wish you all a restful and happy Christmas and look forward to another busy new year, kicking off in style with the ever-popular School of DJ event on February 2nd. Save the date now and break dry-January in style!

Happy Christmas,

The Friends, Helen, Claire, Sarah and Louise

### Christmas Extravaganza

This week we held a Christmas Extravaganza where pupils were invited to perform their favourite piece of Christmas music to a KS2 audience. We heard a wonderful range of music from traditional carols to chart songs played on the piano, clarinet, flute, guitar and keyboard.





# **Choir Carol Singing at Fullerton Court**





On Wednesday our Y5 choir visited Fullerton Court retirement home in Teddington to carol-sing to the residents - something we've enjoyed doing for many years. The children also recited the Nativity story. The residents said how wonderful it was to have the children visit and complimented them on their clear and cheerful performance.

'Everyone was so welcoming. I enjoyed singing to them.' - *Ellen* 

'It was nice when the residents joined in with us.' -Ruzgar

'It was fun because we made the elderly people feel happy.'
- Isabel

'After we sang we asked the residents what they were doing for Christmas.'
- Isaac















