



Sharmans Cross Junior School

Striving for Excellence

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Dates for your diary:

- 18 - Parties
- 20 - School Bank
- 23 - Christmas Break

2014

January

- 6 - INSET - Playing for the Badge
- 7 - Return to school
- 10 - Coffee Morning
- 10 - School Bank
- 10 - Curriculum Overviews out
- 10 - Targets negotiated / shared / displayed
- 17 - School Bank
- 22 - Milad Un Nabi
- 29 - Chinese New Year
- 30 - Parents' Forum

February

- 3 - Y6 Parents' Safer Internet Workshop
- 7 - Coffee Morning
- 10 - Maths Enrichment Week
- 11 - Safer Internet Day
- 11 - Y6 Safer Internet Workshop
- 13 - Disco
- 17 - Half Term

March

- 5 - Ash Wednesday
- 7 - Coffee Morning
- 11 - Y5 York
- 12 - Holi
- 19 - Purim
- 27 - Parents' Evening
- 31 - Y5 Bikeability Training (31st March - 4th April)

April

- 2 - Yugadi
- 4 - Coffee Morning
- 9 - Easter
- 14 - Easter break
- 28 - INSET - Curriculum / Vision
- 30 - Passover



It has been a week filled with positive energy! A successful Christmas Fair, two infant school nativities, an exceptionally well supported guitar concert and our very own Y3 Christmas production.

The Christmas Fair brought the community together for our seasonal opener. The corridors, classrooms and hall buzzed with excitement and chatter as everyone had a great time, eating, drinking and making merry. Although not a scientific count, we admitted over 200 people into the school during the evening. We now await the final totals from the treasurer.

The Y3 performance was an amazing success! The enthusiasm, enjoyment and energy generated by the children could have kept Shirley and the surrounding area powered for the next twelve months as they tucked into their production with gusto! With fabulous songs, beautiful singing, great dancing, confidently delivered lines and wonderful message of hope and joy, the production had everyone who saw it in agreement about its quality. Add to this the fabulous venue and the evening was one that will sit in the memory for a long time.

It was also nice to see a cultural awareness being displayed, as in the Y5 production I wrote about a few weeks ago. At the time, I thought that the bar had been set high for the year, but Y3 certainly came up to the mark with all of their hard work, effort and enthusiasm.

My sincerest thanks to everyone involved in this wonderful event. It gave me great pleasure and pride to be able to stand at the front of the church and thank everyone for their efforts.

What was also nice was that the children had asked for donations made on the evening to go to those less fortunate and struggling at present in the Philippines as part of the emergency disaster fund.

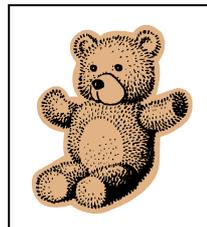
We are now set up for an exciting final week with parties planned for Wednesday!

Have a great weekend!
Mark



Unclaimed Raffle Prize

Thanks you to everyone who supported our Christmas Fair Raffle, which was a great success. We do still have one unclaimed raffle prize that had no name written on the reverse of the ticket. This is a **Brown ticket, number 579**. If you have the matching ticket please contact the school office and we will be happy to pass on your prize.



Star Beads Enterprise Club Update!

Thank you to all of our friends and families who supported our stall at the Christmas Fair. We had a brilliant evening, enjoying selling the Christmas decorations, earrings and bookmarks we have made during our Tuesday lunchtime club this term. We are delighted to announce, as a business we are turning over a profit and have some important decisions to make in the New Year about how we will spend or reinvest this money!

We wish to thank our parent helpers who have given of their time at our club sessions and Brian and Maureen from The Bead and Button Bazaar for their continued support. Also to parents who have donated beads and ribbons for recycling. All of your help is much appreciated.

LAST CHANCE SALE MONDAY 16th DECEMBER AFTER SCHOOL
IN THE NEW RECEPTION AREA
Prices from 25p - up to £1.

Children are invited to bring a small amount of their pocket money in a named purse or envelope and hand in to their teacher for safe keeping until the end of the day, when they will be able to pick up a Star Beads Sale Bargain - perfect last minute gifts and treats.



Happy Christmas from the Star Beads Team



St Michael's Christmas Services held at Sharmans Cross Junior School

Sunday 15th December Carol Service 4.30 pm
Wednesday 25 December Christmas Day Holy Eucharist 10.30 am

At St Michael's Chapel, Oak Cottage, Bryanston Road

Tuesday 24 December Crib Service 3.00 pm
Tuesday 24 December First Eucharist of Christmas 11.30 pm