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Date: 20th December 2019

Dear Families,

This is our last newsletter for 2019. What an amazing start it has been to our first ever academic year at Badbury Park Primary School.

It has been another busy week with a special visit from Father Christmas, nativity performances and Christmas lunch. Mrs Artus and myself attended a meeting with ISG who are constructing our permanent school please see Building Update section on page 3. Thank you to everyone who came out last night, despite the awful weather, to support the school, to all the children who sang and to Mrs Horsell, Mrs Pankhurst and Mrs Hartson for all their hard work organising the stall.. We raised over £150.

Next term's topic is "Super Sonic". Children will be talking about what makes them super, discuss re-cycling, springtime and what makes a healthy diet. They will be starting to read short sentences and counting to 20.

Thank you for all the cards and presents we have received this week—we have been very touched by your thoughtfulness.

We wish you a very Happy Christmas and a very Happy New Year

Mrs J Fraser Mrs L Dance **Executive Headteacher** Head of School



Nativity

ft's a Baby" was a resounding success and all the children should be congratulated on how well they performed to a live audience! Thank you for all the help you have given at home practising songs and words - we hope you enjoyed the performance. Most of the photographs are on the school website but if you would like a copy, please speak to Mrs Artus.















Many thanks to everyone who has donated their child's nativity costume to school for our reception children to use next year.

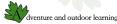
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Christmas lunch



The whole school sat down together yesterday to enjoy a delicious Christmas lunch. It was a wonderful atmosphere and a lovely chance for staff to chat to the children about what Father Christmas is going











Homework for the holidays

- We have sent home two books. Please try and make time during this very busy period to read with your child regularly and practise phonics sounds.
- In a similar vein, please use the Christmas holidays to practice counting with your child — count everyday objects, sing counting songs or point out numbers when you are out and about



- "This is me" (green book). The children love sharing what they have been doing over the holidays with the class and it is a valuable tool to improve their oral skills. Please encourage your child to complete a few pages of their book (it can be drawings, photos, writing) and return them to school during the first week back. Only 5 books were returned after the October half term; we would like to see all books back in January.
- Every family has been given another speech bubble to complete. We would very much appreciate your views about the school and how your child is progressing. Please return to school during the first week back.



Thank you all for your continued support

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Visit from Father Christmas

A big thank you to Father Christmas for visiting Badbury Park Primary School early on Monday (and also a big thank you to Friends of Badbury Park for donating the gifts).







Building progress update

The permanent school is really starting to take shape. Concrete planks, steel frame, groundworks and external drainage have all taken place. Progress has been affected by the weather but a recovery programme is in place and by 21st January the superstructure should be completed.

Swindon Town F.C



were very impressed bγ the children's perseverance on Wednesday when Swindon Town F.C Community Foundation came in to school. Children were given the tricky task of making snowmen from footballs and cones; after much chasing of balls and trial and error, everyone succeeded.





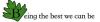
- Children return to school on Tuesday 7th January at 08.50
- Please could we ask you to make sure that everything your child wears in school is named. We are still finding P.E kit, school uniform and coats that is un-named
- If your child needs medication (e.g. inhalers), please make sure that we have one in school and that it is still in date.
- If your daughter has a school jumper, please could she wear it on Wednesdays when we have P.E rather than a cardigan.

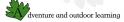
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December

2nd: School nurse in school for height and weight checks

3rd: Open morning for prospective parents

9th: Open afternoon for prospective parents

13th: Christmas Jumper Day

13th: "Aladdin Pantomime" at New College

17th: Christmas nativity/songs: 9.30am &

1.30pm

19th: Christmas lunch

19th: Christmas community and PTA event

(5pm-7pm)

20th: Break up for holidays

23rd December—6th January 2020 Christ-

mas holiday.

January 2020

6th: Teacher training day (school closed to pupils)

7th: Children return to school

9th: Open morning for prospective parents 15th: Applications for primary school places close

24th: Teacher training day (school closed to pupils)

February 2020

14th: Break up for half term holiday

17th—21st February: Half term holiday—no

school for pupils

Reminder of future Teacher Training Days when the school is closed for the children:

- Monday 6th January 2020
- Friday 24th January 2020
- Monday 20th April 2020
- Monday 1st June 2020
- Wednesday 22nd July 2020

New dates in red