



# Sedlescombe Newsletter No. 14

## MERRY CHRISTMAS & WELL DONE

I can't quite believe it is the end of term 2 and that next weekend we will be celebrating Christmas. I just want to say a massive well done and thank you to the children who come to school and work hard and make it a pleasure for the staff to come to work each day. I hope that you all have a Happy Christmas and remember to be kind.

I would also like to say thank you for everyone's patience and understanding with the freezing conditions around school this week. I know it has made the journey to and from school a little more interesting than usual. I hope that the extended school pick-ups and drop offs have helped, but thank you for ensuring that the children were still able to come to school. It is appreciated.

## PTA MOVIE NIGHT

Thank you to the PTA for organising our Christmas Movie Night last Friday, which was a great success. 137 children attended and had a great time watching movies with their friends whilst eating popcorn and hot dogs. The event was kept as cheap as possible to allow as many children as possible to attend. We also ran it differently to ensure every child that wanted to attend could attend. This seemed to work well and will be a format that we adopt in the future.

## CHRISTMAS PLAYS

I was so proud and happy this week watching the children in Reception and Year 2 performing in their Christmas Plays. All of the children were so brave getting up on stage and performing in front of an audience. They looked like they were thoroughly enjoying it. The children (and some of the parents—I spotted you singing along) had worked hard to learn their lines and all the words to the songs. Thank you also for providing the children with outfits to ensure the children looked the part and to everyone that came along to support the children. I loved watching the children and I know lots of you did too. Well done everyone!

## ACHIEVEMENT CUPS:

The Achievement Cups have been given out to two children in each class today. If your child has won then you will be sent a video on Tapestry of your child receiving the Achievement Cup. If your child is a recipient of the Cup please take care of it as we will be asking for them to be returned at the end of Term 4 (March) ready to be given out to the next recipients. Well done to all of those who have received a cup today.

## PANTOMIME TRIP

Yesterday I had the pleasure of accompanying Year 1 to the Pantomime at the White Rock—oh yes I did! We had a great time and it was lovely to watch the children's faces and enjoyment as they watched the show. They were very well behaved and particularly enjoyed their ice-cream in the

interval! We even had two children selected to go up on stage to help one of the performers. Well done Arthur T and Savannah you both did a great job and made us very proud with the courage that you showed and how well you represented the school.

## CHRISTMAS LUNCH

On Thursday we had a great time eating our Christmas Lunch together. There was Christmas music playing and we even had crackers that we all pulled together. Thank you to the PTA for providing the crackers for the children.

## INSET DAY REMINDER

The new school term for children starts on Wednesday 4th January as we have an INSET day with other local schools on Tuesday 3rd January.

There are also two INSET days booked for the end of Term 3 on the 9th and 10th February where we are looking at our Curriculum.

## CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Another reminder that St. John the Baptist Church is holding their Carol Service tomorrow at 4:00 pm.

Here are the details:

Come and join us for a wonderful candlelit service of nine lessons and carols, with special items by our choir and well-known carols for all, followed by light refreshments. Entry is free, just come and enjoy the Christmas music and festive spirit in our beautiful parish church!

## GOOD LUCK AND GOODBYE

Today is Mrs. Dann and Mrs. Pierce's last day with us as they leave us to take on new challenges and experiences. I would like to thank them for all that they have given to the children, staff and parents at Sedlescombe Primary School in their time with us and wish them all the very best for the future.

We are also saying goodbye to our school cook Mrs. Butler who is leaving us today having been associated with the school as a parent and cook for many years. We are going to miss her greatly, but we are very lucky to have Jo joining us who has been working alongside Mrs. Butler for the last few weeks getting to know the children and kitchen routines.

## PARENT SUPPORT

A leaflet from Open to Parents is attached outlining support that is available.

## HAPPY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE

### START OF TERM REMINDERS:

- Monday: Bank Holiday School Closed
- Tuesday: INSET Day School Closed
- Wednesday: Term 3 Begins for all children
- Thursday: Sign-Up for Parents' Evening Opens

