



# Frome Valley First School

## News Weekly



### Party Lunch on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Thank you to everyone that has already paid for the party lunch on Friday. Unfortunately, we still have quite a few outstanding forms. If you have not yet returned your form and contribution, we would be grateful if you could do so by Wednesday at the latest.

### Nativity Services

The first of our Nativity services was today for the children in the Reception class and Preschool. Year 1 – 4 nativity takes place tomorrow at 1.30pm and Wednesday at 9.10am, in the school hall. We wish to remind parents that, due to the popularity of the services, we ask parents/relatives to only attend one service if possible. There will be refreshments after the morning service on Wednesday so do stay and share refreshments with your child.



### Carols By Candlelight

We are sure that everyone that came to 'Carols by Candlelight' will agree what a wonderful festive evening it was. The children sang beautifully.

Our thanks go to Miss Carter and Mrs Read for all the time spent rehearsing with the school choir. Thank you also for the donations at the end of the evening. We raised £53.18 to go towards choir activities and resources.



### Citizenship Day

On the first day back after the Christmas holidays (**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January**), we are holding our termly Citizenship Day. This is a day when we focus on anti-bullying and Global Citizenship. We would like all children to come to school wearing blue clothes. This is to remind everyone of our **NO BULLYING** ethos, as blue is the universal 'no bullying' colour.

### After School Clubs

Details of after school clubs were sent out last week. At this moment in time, we have space in all clubs! If you would like your child to take part in an activity, forms are available on the carousel outside the school office.

### St Aldhelms News

NEW FOR 2016... Come and celebrate with us on CHRISTMAS EVE AT 10.30am.

We are having a short service at St Aldhelms Church Crossways, especially for families.

Hear the Christmas Story, see the Crib scene and sing some Carols together. Refreshments afterwards.

Everyone is welcome. Come dressed as a Christmas character if you wish.

(There is also a Crib Service at Woodsford Church at 4pm).

**For more details, contact The Revd Jacquie on 01305 854046 [j.birdseye@btinternet.com](mailto:j.birdseye@btinternet.com)**

### Textile Recycling

Thank you to everyone that sent in their textile recycling.  
We are pleased to advise we raised £88.



### Head Lice

Unfortunately, we have been advised that head lice are prevalent throughout school. As the Christmas holidays approach, it is an ideal time for parents to check their children's hair (and everyone in the family) and treat them if they find anything. If everyone then checks and treats for the following two weeks, we may start to see results. If anyone would like one of our Bug Busting leaflets, with information on products, please speak to the staff in the office.

### eSchools – update

Hopefully, everyone received their News Weekly last week – one way or another. We have been asked a few questions by parents which eSchools has answered. We thought everyone would like to know the answers!



**Question –** I have tried to download the eSchools app but it is saying it is not compatible with my device.

**Answer -** The app can be downloaded for iPhone and Android devices, but please be aware that it is primarily a phone app rather than a tablet app, so the view may be a little restricted on an iPad, and won't be available on devices other than iPhone/Android such as Hudl, or Microsoft Phones. You can however view the full eSchools platform on a tablet or a phone using the internet browser.

**Question –** I can't open the letter you sent via the app.

**Answer -** The letter will go to the app, the email address and the platform to be viewed. Some phones don't have the facility to open PDF documents or you may need to adjust your settings.

**Question –** I can't print from the eSchools app.

**Answer –** Letters are sent in three different ways. All documents can be viewed and printed from the email or direct from the platform.

We hope that this information helps parents (and us) in using eSchools in the best way.

If anyone has any further queries or wishes to amend their email address etc., please speak to the staff in the office.

### Christmas Holidays and Wishes



A quick reminder that we break up  
this Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December.  
Children return to school on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.**



**The staff and Governors of Frome Valley First School  
would like to wish all children, parents, relatives and  
friends a very**

**Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.**