

# **Dallington CEP School**

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# **Snow procedure**

I hope that I'm not tempting fate! If we have very bad weather and need to close the school, this is the procedure: If the snow or ice comes over night, a decision will be made by 7am as to whether it is safe to open the school. If the decision is taken not to open then a notice will be placed on our website, school Facebook page and a parent mail sent. At the same time ESCC will be informed and a notice will be available on their website; you can also sign up for an 'alert' from ESCC if our school is closed. Local radio stations will also be informed, but this tends to be guite slow. If we need to close during the day, we will Parentmail and text out as a matter of urgency; we would ask that you spread the word to other parents too.



#### **Christian Values**

Our Christian value this term is love. As we build up to Christmas this value becomes more important – the love of the celebrations, the love we have when our family are gathered around and the love we show through the giving and receiving of presents.

We will be having a very special advent calendar in the corridor this year. We will have a Kindness advent calendar. Please stop and have a look when it is up. As we continue to live up to our new vision - ...be an example to the believers with your words, your actions, your love, your faith and our pure life. (1 Timothy 12:4)

We were visited on Thursday by Trudy from Warming up the homeless. It was a lovely assembly and will provide the springboard for us supporting the brilliant work of the charity. Please read the separate letter that will provide more details.

Thank you to everyone who was able to support the Operation Christmas child. These very simple shoe boxes of gifts will mean so much too so many children worldwide. Thank you.



# Garden

We have had a busy summer/early autumn in the garden and harvested and sold a lot of our crops grown by the children including beans, tomatoes, courgettes, celeriac, lettuce and flowers at the village cafe on Mondays 2-4 (all welcome) and after school on Fridays. We have been able to purchase bulbs, compost and leggings for the children. Elly (and Margot) have also joined us and are developing our wildlife area. Woods Corner had great fun collecting for and making 2 hedgehog houses in the grounds and Dallington have planted up containers with bulbs and violas.

We would like to thank Hayley's dad for the amazing composter he has made us and all the parents and staff for their support

The gardeners



# **FODS**

FODS will be holding a Christmas market /fair on December 7<sup>th</sup>, from 2-5pm. It promises to be a lovely event – please come along and support the school and maybe pick up a bargain or two for Christmas.

Our lottery continues to bring a little cheer to people's lives. Not only have we just announced another winner but the school has been sent a commission cheque for £150. Well done everyone.

Don't forget you can support the school by Christmas shopping. Just click on <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fodschool/?q=dallington&cat=cause-autosuggest">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fodschool/?q=dallington&cat=cause-autosuggest</a> and then shop away!

A massive thank you to FODS who have just purchased a lot of new playground equipment. It will ensure that playtime remains fun, interactive and creative.

Through the hard work of SJ, we have received more playground equipment from a local barbers. Herkymoo Barbers were keen to support the school and we are speaking to them about other projects. A massive thank you to the staff at Herkymoo Barbers for their support and generosity. The children will enjoy using the equipment.

## <u>Attendance</u>

Last week I was very proud to send out 61 certificates for 100% attendance in term 1. A massive well done to those children. Our whole school attendance was 96% - let's keep it up!

# **Decoration making morning**

On 29<sup>th</sup> November we will hold our annual decoration making morning. If you would like to come in and work alongside the children and help make the school look all sparkly please let your child's class teacher know.

### **Children in Need**

A huge well done to everyone for their support with our mufti day – we raised £104 for this wonderful cause.

#### Dates for your diary

#### November

20<sup>th</sup> Bodle Street class – Big Sing 29<sup>th</sup> Decoration making morning – all am **December** 

6<sup>th</sup> Year 5/6 Federation concert 7<sup>th</sup> FODS Christmas market 2-5pm 11<sup>th</sup> Nativity 2pm St Giles Church 12<sup>th</sup> Nativity 6pm St Giles Church 17<sup>th</sup> Whole school panto

18<sup>th</sup> Christmas lunch 19<sup>th</sup> Carol service at St Giles 2pm Last day of term 20<sup>th</sup> INSET DAY

#### **January**

6<sup>th</sup> Term 3 starts TERM DATES 2019/20

Term 1	4 Sept 2019	-	25 Oct 2019
Autumn term	28 Oct 2019	-	1 Nov
break			2019
Term 2	4 Nov 2019	-	20 Dec 2019
Christmas break	23 Dec 2019	-	3 Jan
			2020
Term 3	6 Jan	-	14 Feb 2020
	2020		
February break	17 Feb 2020	-	21 Feb 2020
Term 4	24 Feb 2020	-	3 April 2020
April break	6 April 2020	-	17 April 2020
Term 5	20 April 2020	-	22 May 2020
May break	25 May 2020	-	29 May 2020
Term 6	1 June 2020	-	22 July 2020