

Frieth Primary School

NEWSLETTER

*Let Your Light Shine!*



*Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022*

It's been another great term! I would firstly like to say thank you to our wonderful Frieth community for everything you do to support the school; whether it's work parties; volunteering with reading; raising money or simply helping with learning at home, like the children you all let your light shine in different ways to make the school so successful. I believe this is an exciting time for Frieth and we couldn't do it without you!



A huge well done to our choir members who had the opportunity to perform at Marlow's Christmas in the Park on Sunday. The children sang their hearts out and sounded amazing. Next stop Wembley Arena where the full choir will be performing at Young Voices.



Thank you to Reverend Sue who continues to show great support to the school. Pictured is one of the many collective worship assemblies she leads, which always inspire the children.



Eagles class have been learning about Islam and the Qur'an in R.E. We were very fortunate to be joined on Microsoft Teams by Zia from Maidenhead Mosque who answered some questions the children had been preparing. As always, I was really proud of our pupils. Zia was clearly impressed too and commented, "The children's questions were genuinely thoughtful and unique." Eagles class will be visiting Maidenhead Mosque in February where they will continue to develop their understanding. Thank you, Zia!



The children very much enjoyed taking an active part in the pantomime performance

of Aladdin last week. Thank you very much to the PTA for funding this event.



Well done to the netball team for their 13-2 win over Monks Risborough. All the practice is clearly paying off and the team is looking forward to defending the High Wycombe District Cup after Christmas when league matches start. A

special well done goes to Ava, whose light was shining brightly as she notched up an amazing 8 goals!

### Adverse Weather Conditions

I hope the children enjoyed playing in the snow on Monday. My priority is always to keep the school open when I can, however, there will be occasions when I need to close the school due to health and safety. If I do close the school, we will move to remote learning. I have attached our policy which includes a timetable of when your children can expect to receive their video calls and which lessons they will have. I'm sure if we do have thick snow, the teachers will allow a little time for the children to go out and enjoy some time to play in the snow.



You should have all now received an email from Scopay, our new online system, which will be used for all club bookings including Falcons, school trips and consent forms. This system will also sometimes be used as a communication tool, so it is essential that you please register.

### Lunch Questionnaire

Thank you to those of you that have already completed the Lunch Questionnaire online. We are still waiting for 57 responses and will not be able to make a final decision on potentially changing our lunch provider until we have received all responses back. Please

can we request that you complete this by Tuesday 3rd January.

### Attendance

This term we have introduced the Attendance Cup whereby every week a trophy is presented to the class with the best attendance for the previous week. Great effort Kites Class who received the trophy on the most occasions this term, however, congratulations must also be given to Owls Class who had the best class attendance over the whole term. The children with 100% attendance were also presented with a certificate in assembly so a massive well done to all those pupils too.



### ECO Council and Energy Squad



Let me introduce you to our Eco Council and Energy Squad. Saving the planet is high on the priority list at Frieth and

these children will be working hard to ensure we are environmentally friendly and energy efficient. Lots of opportunities will become available as we tie in with our Forest School and make links with the local community.



For their first mission, the Eco Council have been putting up signs to remind children and adults to turn off the lights if they don't need to be on!

## Village Hall Clock Update

I am reliably informed by a friend of Frieth School, Jolyon Marshall, that by Christmas Day this year the repaired exterior dial, hands and plaque - all beautifully polished & re-gilded - should be back in their rightful place on the Village Hall! Please do have a look at our Village Hall Clock over the Christmas holiday. I am told it should be an absolutely wonderful sight to behold!

Jolyon also kindly gave me an update on our very own 'Let You Light Shine' clock. The dial will be 52cm in diameter, it will be made out of birch wood and should be with him in its raw state at the end of December 2022. The artwork of our winner and two runner-up entries has gone to Jolyon's award-winning London design agency and the finished clock will be ready for unveiling at the end of January 2023.



Thank you to all parents for your generous donations and to Mrs Sparks for delivering £108 to Wycombe Food Hub from the Nativity performance collection. A great local charity to support.

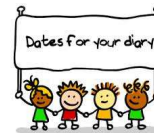


Well done to Jessie Stone and Hannah Hunt who let their light shine at the Nine Lessons and Carols service at Hambleton Church on Sunday. With their beautiful singing, they did our school proud by opening the service with duet of 'Once in Royal David's City'.



We finished the term with a real treat as Santa made a flying visit yesterday! Big thanks Santa and his elf for taking the time to come and see us especially at such a busy time of year.

Wishing you and your families a Merry Christmas and very Happy New Year!



All school dates can also be found on the school website. New dates in **red**

**CHANGE OF INSET DAYS – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 and Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023 moved from Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

Tue 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec:	Break up 1pm
<b>Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Jan:</b>	<b>Return to School</b>
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan:	Kites class trip
Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb:	Eagles class trip (more details to follow)
Tue 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	Young Voices Concert - Choir
W/c 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	Half Term
21 <sup>st</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb:	Parents Evenings
Thur 9 <sup>th</sup> March:	Owls class trip (more details to follow)
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> March:	Kites Class Assembly (more details to follow)
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> March:	Break up at 1pm