

BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Autumn Term Newsletter
Friday 14th December 2018



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Happy Birthday

Audrey, Emilian, Henry B, Oscar H, Emily M, Amelie, Alex A

Applying for Reception and Year 3 Place—Deadline January 15th 2019

Remember to [apply online](#) for your child's place for **September 2019**.

If you have a child in Heath Class who was born between April 1 2015 and August 31 2015, you have the choice to defer your application and your child would start school the term after their 5th birthday in September 2020 after completing a second year in Nursery.

If you have any questions please come and talk to us.

FS1 Visit to Aldenham

Heath Class had a wonderful winter visit to Aldenham Country Park with a **very special visit to Santa's Grotto**, the farm, the 100 acre wood and the woodland playground.

The elves greeted us from across the **farm as we crept into Santa's Grotto**, told him all about what we were hoping for on Christmas day and then got to choose a gift from his workshop.

We were also very excited for the coach journey, the icy puddles, the frost on the ground and feeding the chickens. A huge thank you to our volunteers who make these visits possible.

We are advertising for a part time maternity cover teacher to join us after February half term. Please follow [this link](#) to find out more.

The school hall has been alive with singing, dancing and the festive tinkle of musical instruments this week as Year

1 have been performing their Christmas celebration.

Children proudly stood in front of their grown-ups and sang with vigour. Each class performed a festive dance and musicians from each class accompanied the singing.

Maria- "I like singing *We wish you a Merry Christmas*, I saw my mum joining in."

Jack – "I liked blowing out my Christingle."

Leo- "I enjoyed playing my triangle."



Year 2 have made us all proud this week by performing a brilliant Nativity called 'Stable Story.' Their enthusiastic singing has reached the rooftop of the hall and narrators performed their lines with clarity and confidence. Children loved getting into the festive spirit by wearing their costumes. Musicians accompanied many of the songs and even solos were performed. It's amazing to see how much the children have grown in confidence since their last nativity play in the foundation stage.

Oliba- "I liked the funny wise men."

Benjamin- "I like how the narrators all stand up at the same time."

Bella- "I love singing! My favourite is *Who's that knocking*."



After School Club - If you wish to make a booking please contact Lindees 01727 848355

On Wednesday we had our Christmas lunch which was a fantastic success.



Thank you to Mrs Donagher and her team for providing such a treat!

On **Wednesday 19th December** staff and children are invited to wear **Christmas jumpers** to school in place of their usual Bernards Heath Jumper or cardigan—they do *not need* separate party clothes. We will be raising money for **Save the Children** and are suggesting a £1 donation. Thank you.



Christmas Parties



Wednesday 19th December is also Christmas Party day with a very special visitor and lots of celebrations. As above, children are wearing Christmas jumpers and so do not need additional party clothes.

Please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle every day.



Menu Changes



Now everyone has had time to sample our new winter menu, please talk to your child/children to make sure they are happy with their choices. If you want to make any changes just come to the office and speak to Serena.

Remember, the deadline for ordering milk for next term is Wednesday 19th December.



Please [register here](#) for Everbridge Schools Closure Notification System (ESCNS) the system we use in the event of school being closed due to weather or a public emergency.



Our local radio station 3 Counties will also update you on school closures.

REMEMBER, REMEMBER.....

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tue 18 Dec	9.05am	Verulam Class Assembly (One Adult per Child)
Wed 19 Dec		Christmas Parties Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 21st	1.20pm	End of Term



Christmas Holiday
Mon 24th Dec—Fri 4th Jan



Mon 7th Jan		Staff Training Day
Tue 8th Jan		Children back to school
Thu 10th Jan	9.15am	FS2 Tour for Prospective Parents for Sept 2019
Tue 15th Jan	6-8.30pm	FS1, FS2 and Y2 Parent Consultations
Fri 18th Jan	9.05am	Clarence Class Assembly (One Adult per Child)
Tue 22nd Jan	9.00am	Parent Volunteer Meeting
Wed 23rd Jan	6-8.30pm	FS1, FS2, Y2 Parent Consultations
Fri 25th Jan	9.05am	Heartwood Class Assembly (One Adult per Child)

Letters / Emails Sent Home



Club confirmation letters
Mrs Griffin Letter
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