Temple Mill Primary School



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Hasn't it turned cold? We've had some very frosty mornings this week so please make sure your child comes to school wearing a suitable coat, labelled with their name so they can all leave with their suitable coat too!

It has been wonderful to enjoy our first nativities for a while and to invite families to share for a while. Caterpillar and Butterfly classes were fantastic and their performances were very much enjoyed by their families. Some classes had a sneak preview of the Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity this morning - it sounds brilliant!

We also had Mr Blundell form the Trust central team over earlier in the week to film a little something for you from each class. You will be sent a link and code as soon as they are ready to view.

Have a lovely, cosy weekend,

Mrs Lewis

Attendance: Temple the Cat spent the week with Lion and Tiger classes and taking part in their busy week. Next week Temple will be splitting their time between Leopards and Lions who both achieved 90%. This is obviously a bit of a drop from our recent figures but understandable for the time of year.

This week's while school attendance has been 89%. We'll look forward to seeing the numbers rise again in the new year.

This week's House Points:

DIAMOND	SAPPHIRE	EMERALD	RUBY
38	72	96	108

Well done all members of Ruby!

Karate: Dan's Karate Club has finished for the term and will restart on Thursday 12th January. If you think your child wold be interested in joining this club, please contact the office for more information.

Football: Friday afternoon football has also now finished for the term. Football will restart on Friday 6th January. Again, if you think your child would be interested in joining this club, please contact the office.

Winter Woolly Day: We saw some very cosy jumpers and fleeces on Thursday and have raised £121 for Tempo school funds. Thank you all for your donations.











Lucky Tickets: The two nativities this week included the Lucky Ticket Draw for the wonderful Hampers put together by Mrs Gee and Mrs Martin. There were 5 prizes at each performance and we have raised just over £100 for Tempo school funds. If you are coming to the year 1 and Year 2 performances next week, don't forget to bring your lucky ticket with you as we have another set of hampers waiting to be won.

Volunteers: Thank you very much to those of you who have offered your help to support our Christmas events this year. You should now have been contacted to say



"Yes please!" and we are looking forward to seeing you soon. If you haven't heard, please contact us, as your offer may be hidden under one of Mrs Gee's thousands of lists and plans! Your generosity has encouraged us to start planning more events later in the year, so watch this space.

Here to help: Now that the temperatures have dropped, many of us are worrying about heating bills on top of everything else. Please remember that we may be able to point you in the right direction for help if you are struggling with bills, please contact the office and ask for a call with Mrs Gabriel. Don't forget, we also have a small food and hygiene bank in the main entrance to the school, on the bottom shelf of the Book Exchange. Everyone is welcome to help themselves to the items they need to help them out, especially at this expensive time of year. No need to ask, just drop in when you need to.

Dates for your diary:

Dinner! Christmas hats welcome!

Mon 12th December - KS1 Nativity 2pm Tues 13th December - KS1 Nativity 9.30am Weds 14th December - Christmas Dinner Day - don't forget to book if your child would like a Christmas

Please note, there will be no school sandwich lunch options on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday next week.

Thurs 15th December - Reception, Years 1 & 2 Christmas Disco 3.45pm-4.45pm Book your ticket on Arbor.

Thurs 15th December - KS2 Christmas Disco 5.15pm-6.30pm. Book your ticket on Arbor

Fri 16th December - Pantomime (Years 1 - 6)

On Panto Day we will be leaving at 9.30 and will be back at school by 1.30pm. Please provide your child with snacks and a drink for during the performance - please ensure the snacks do not contain nuts and that drinks are in plastic bottles (no fizz please).

On their return, children eligible for Free School Meals will be able to collect a school packed lunch. Children staying for Friday Club can order a school packed lunch or bring their own.

Mon 19th December -

Class Parties: On Monday afternoon your child will have a little party in their class. Your child's teacher will be in touch with more information about this next week.

KS2 Carols by Candlelight 3.45pm-4.30pm - Although this will be led by KS2 classes, all families are welcome to join us for Carols By Candlelight. We will hear a song from each class before enjoying a sing song of traditional carols. Then we'll head into the hall for some warming drinks and festive snacks. There will, of course, be another Lucky Ticket hamper draw, and once again, more tickets will be available to purchase on the night. We hope to see you there with your "candles" - by which we mean battery operated candles, torches or lanterns!

Tues 20th December - Last Day of Term

Weds 4th January - Term 3 Starts (Children return to school)











Nativities: Hall doors will open about 5 minutes before the performance and there will be a chance to purchase more Lucky tickets for the hamper draw - 50p each or £2 for a strip of 5.

Don't forget to bring a little pocket money to the Disco, there will be a tuck shop and novelty sale.