



*'Be safe, be kind.
Listen and think a lot.
Be your best!'*



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The Fabulous Christmas Fair!

It was a fabulous evening with lots of Christmassy cheer! There were games to play, teddies to be won, mince pies and hot dogs to be eaten, lucky dip and raffle tickets to be bought!

The atmosphere was amazing. Everyone I spoke to said what a good time they were having. Then, just like Christmas, in a flash it was over!

I would like to say a huge 'thank you' to all the 'FIPS' team who worked hard to put the event together and made it a resounding success. This event always takes so much organisation and team work. I would also like to thank all the children and parents who acted as stall holders during the evening or who brought in donations. We couldn't do it without you.

We were amazed by the amount of money that had been raised. Just over £3500 was raised which is the most we've ever raised at a Christmas bazaar.

This is a huge amount of money which will be used to go towards new ipads for all the children to use.

The money raised from the items the children made in the classroom, will be spent on items from the 'Save the Children' charity shop. The children choose what they would like to buy—it could be goats or sheep or chickens for a family in a third world country. In this way the children begin to learn that Christmas isn't just about receiving presents but it can be about giving essential items to those who have very little. This stall raised £80.80 and the School Council with their classes will discuss how they wish this money to be spent in the New Year.



Christmas Jumper Day

On Wednesday we had our Christmas lunch and the Christmas Jumper day in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support, Make a Wish and Save the children. All the children and staff swapped their normal Perryfields cardigans/jumpers for a more sparkly and Christmassy jumper to wear to raise money for these worthwhile charities. Thank you for your support. We raised £128.70

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Dates for your diary...

- 16th Dec—1.45pm whole school to All Saints Church
- 18th Dec—Last Day of School.
- 18th Dec—Carols around the tree (invited guests only)
- 19th Dec—INSET DAY non-pupil day.
- 6th Jan—INSET DAY non-pupil day
- 7th Jan—Children back to school.
- 16th Jan—Teacher clubs to start for 5 weeks for KS1 3-3.45pm (details to follow)
- 22nd Jan—9.15am New parent helper meeting
- 24th Jan—FIPS meeting at 2pm Everyone Welcome
- 7th Feb—Assessment parent workshop 9.15am (TBC)
- 11th Feb—3.05-3.45pm Open Afternoon
- 13th Feb—Last teacher club
- 14th Feb—9.15am Emerald Class Assembly
- 14th Feb—Last Day
- HALF TERM
- 24th Feb—Children back to school.

Magic and Sparkle!

Wow, what a performance! I am so proud of all the children in the school. This year's play was absolutely fantastic. The singing was beautiful and the children performed particularly well whatever their part.

It always amazes me that such young children are able to stand up and dance, sing and act in front of a large grown up audience. They have bags of confidence! However, all the staff always breathe a sigh of relief when the final performance is over! (Photos on the school website).



Year 2/3 Admissions

Year 2 parents please make sure you have completed the on-line application into the Junior school. If this isn't completed in time your child may not get a place in Year 3. It is your responsibility to complete the form on time.

Parent Helpers

A big thank you to all the parents who have helped out in school over the last term. I know the children and teachers greatly appreciate it. If anyone else is interested in becoming a parent helper I will be holding another parent helper induction day in the New Year.



Christmas Play retiring collection in aid of the Farleigh Hospice Charity—

A fantastic £230 was raised over the two performances.

Thank you all very much for your generosity.

A few reminders for January

- All children need to be picked up promptly at the end of the school day at 3.05pm. If going home arrangements have been changed please put this in a letter and give to the class teacher.
- Please can you check your child's PE kit to ensure that the clothes, socks and plimsolls still fit and remember some tracksuit bottoms.
- Can all children remember to wear warm clothes, coats, hats and gloves in the coming months.



Happy Christmas

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the children, parents, carers and staff of Perryfields Infant School a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.



**PLEASE REMEMBER
TO HEAR YOUR CHILD
READ OVER THE HOLIDAYS,
PRACTISE
THEIR PHONICS
SOUNDS AND LEARN
THEIR SPELLINGS—
SPRING TERM IS VERY
SHORT!**