

Greyfriars Academy

December 2019 Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of a happy and busy Autumn term and look forward to the Christmas break!

Author Visit

The whole school had a fantastic day on the 31st October listening to and working with the poet and performer Paul Cookson. Go to Paul's website to find out more about him and his work

<http://paulcooksonpoet.co.uk/>

Cross Country Championships

Well done all the Year 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 children who competed the Cross-Country competition at West Norfolk Rugby Club to on Tuesday 12th November. It was a wet and muddy day, but all the children remained positive and tried their very best! Conditions and competition were tough, but we had some fantastic results with a number of our children receiving medals, and many of them making it through to the next round of the competition in January. A huge thank you to all the adults (parents and staff) who came along and helped. I think it took us all a while to warm up! Your help and support are very much appreciated!

Sports Hall Athletics

On Tuesday 3rd December, 18 of our year 3/4 pupils went to Lynnsport. They spent the afternoon competing in a range of track and field events against eight other primary schools. The children loved the experience and gave 100%. Their hard work paid off as the girls finished in third position and the boys second.



Inclusion Quality Mark!

We are delighted to have been awarded the Inclusion Quality Mark! Thank you to everyone who contributed to the evaluation process, your opinions are very valuable and help us continue to develop our practice. We're proud of all our school community.



Children in Need

Many thanks for all your support and the enthusiasm of all the children on the 15th November. We raised £449 for the charity.

School Choir

Our choir performed for the Shallow Lunch and the Methodist Church this year. The children performed brilliantly and made us all very proud. Well done to all the children and Mrs Emery for her enthusiasm in training them!



Christmas Dinner Day!

At lunchtime on Wednesday 11th December, adults and pupils tucked into a wonderful Christmas dinner. Thanks to all those that helped prepare and serve the food, it was delicious!



Christmas Jumper Day

We raised £142.30 for Save the Children – Thank you!

Pantomime

All the children thoroughly enjoyed the pantomime, Aladdin, this year and many thanks go to the Friends of Greyfriars as without their help we would not have been able to run this trip so cheaply. Many thanks to the parents who paid their contribution towards this as we do rely on these payments to be able to put on these events.

Oops a Daisy Angel!

Reception, Year 1 and 2 children in Snettisham, Heacham, Thornham and Hunstanton classes entertained us beautifully with their Christmas Production which was enjoyed by a large audience of parents and friends. Well done to all involved!

A visit from Father Christmas

We were delighted that Father Christmas was able to visit us again this year. All the children had the opportunity to visit him in his grotto and they received some lovely gifts. Thank you, Father Christmas!



Aspects of Christmas

Finally, we concluded the Christmas celebrations with a wonderful performance from Year 3 and 4 children in Brancaster, Sheringham and Holkham class. It was lovely to see so many of you at the church to join the celebrations and I'm sure that you will agree that, once again, the children were great!

FROGS

We want to say a huge THANK YOU to FROGS for all the fun fundraising activities that they have brought to us over this term. All the proceeds go towards providing extra resources and opportunities for our children.



Thank You, FROGS!

Activity week with Before and After School Club

Mrs Lewis and Mrs Moulton have done a brilliant job this week organising various activities for the children as well as breakfast with Santa. Our thanks go to them as they have worked really hard to make sure the children enjoyed their activity week.

Premier Sport After School Clubs



Next half term, Premier Sports are offering a gymnastics club on a Tuesday and Archery club on a Thursday for all children. If you want your child to take part, there will be leaflets sent home the first week back. You can now book online via <https://family.premier-education.com/courses> the school postcode is PE30 5PY which you will need to enter on the website. Premier Sport offer really good clubs with experienced instructors, feedback has been very good.

Swimming Pool

Unfortunately, we have had problems with our swimming pool this term and some of the children have missed their lessons, but we have now had it fixed and hope to be back to normal in January!



Dinners – We will be on Week 3 of the Dinner Menu when we come back to school. We also have a special Menu on Thursday, 16th January 'At the Movies' see Menu attached.

Head Lice

Please use the holidays as an opportunity to check your child's hair and treat it if necessary, so we can have a clear start to the new term. Thank you.

*We wish you a Merry Christmas and
a Happy and Healthy New Year!*

**We look forward to welcoming you back to school on
Monday, 6th January 2020.**

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At the Movies

Thursday 16th January 2020

'Lights, Camera, Action'

Chicken Taco with Cheese

OR

(v) Vegetarian Mixed Bean Taco with Cheese

'Showtime'

Chips and Dips

Coleslaw and Cucumber

'Big Screen'

Popcorn and Cookie Crumble Ice Cream

