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Newsletter

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Dear Families

It has been wonderful to welcome families in school this week to see the wonderful Christmas performances. These were truly special and the children really did give their very best to impress you. They retold the Christmas story, albeit through the perspective of the Grumpy Donkey and then the Christmas Nativity Story and carols. Your applause demonstrated your appreciation and rightly showed how proud we all are of the children. A time for 'magic moments' to be created and remembered. Can I again thank the staff for providing the children with the opportunity and high standard of performances. Also, a BIG THANK YOU to our families for your continued support and partnership, in achieving the very best for the children.

There have been some challenging days with this very insistent cough and cold like symptoms for both the children and the adults in school. This will no doubt impact on the school attendance figures and my hope is that we all get a chance to rest and recharge over the two week break from school.

School Attendance Matters-We aim for 100% our target is 98%.

F2 = 93.2% Year 1 = 90%, Year 2 = 94.1%, Year 3 = 91.3%, Year 4 = 91%, Year 5 = 97.7%, Year 6 = 97.7%.
Overall school attendance = 93.57 %.

-REMEMBER #EVERYDAYCOUNTS-

Gender Questioning Children: The link [here](#) takes you to the press release which is a useful summary of the Draft guidance that was published on Wednesday. The guidance is under consultation and you can access the full document [here](#). You can record your responses to the consultation [here](#)

PTA Fundraising – Autumn Term: We have had some fantastic events arranged this term which have been wonderful for the children and families. Our PTA work behind the scenes, generating commitment, creating and organising many excellent events. Together, we all make it happen and the outcome has resulted in a profit of £2030.00 for this term. This is a tremendous achievement. Today, all the classes have received a class present and then individual from Santa, again organised and funded by the PTA. We have the author Richard O'Neil visiting each class on the 22/1/24, all funded by the PTA.

Last week we had the school dining tables serviced and then to be told that they need to be condemned. We were not expecting this and the cost to replace each unit is significant, approximately £950.00 each, we need nine! If you, or a business that you work for, or linked to, are able to help, then please contact Mrs Nield.
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Magic Moments

FS2: In F2 this week the children have experienced many magic moments, including their first Nativity play titled 'A Bundle of Joy.' The air was filled with excitement as the children brought the timeless story to life, creating memories that will last a lifetime. Another magical adventure unfolded during our visit to Nanny Sharon's Alpaca Farm, where laughter echoed through the air as they encountered a variety of animals. From the gentle alpacas to the playful farmyard goats, each encounter became a cherished chapter in the F2's first term as part of the Brookhurst Big Family.

Year 1: This week Year 1 have been taking the opportunity to bring Christmas into their learning wherever possible. We have completed maths using presents, holly wreaths, candles and baubles. We have made several Christmas crafts and today have used 2D shapes to create Christmas pictures.

Year 2: Last week we were using different inks and wax crayons to create different papers. As a whole class we created a large bank of papers that we cut up into strips. This week we used our papers that we created to make our own hot air balloons for our calendars. Each and every one is different and unique! We loved working as a team and sharing what we had created. There were some amazing helpers who became our 'experts' and helped their friends to create their hot air balloons.

Key Stage 2: This week we performed our Christmas concert. It was a mature and magical performance from all of Key Stage 2, which showed composure beyond their years. The signing was fabulous and speakers stood up confidently to read their lines that they have learnt over a number of weeks. As staff, we have been so impressed with the efforts of the children in Key Stage 2 and the way they came together to tell the Christmas story. After all their hard work this term, we were thrilled that they mustered the energy to shine as they did. We wish all your families a very merry Christmas!

Parent View – School Website: Please can I direct you to the school website and the 'Parent View' tab. Here, there is an online Ofsted parent/carer questionnaire. We will be using this function to capture the views of our families about our school. Thank you.

ECO News: Thank you to everyone who has already started to bring in batteries to be recycled. I have started to keep a record of them and we will continue to add to this as we go. Please remember to keep any used batteries that we can add to our battery count, or if you take any to the recycling centre please let me know how many and we can add these too! Miss Ramejkis

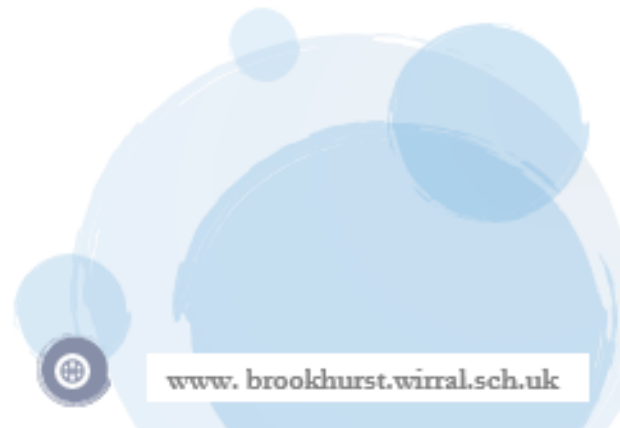
Can I take this opportunity to wish you and your family a lovely Christmas and wish you all the very best for the New Year. The children and staff are going to appreciate this forthcoming Christmas break to recharge and to prepare for a busy Spring Term. The Spring term will begin for the children on **Tuesday 9 January 2024.**

Kind regards



Steve Williams

AND FINALLY..... **Sssssshhh** only 3 sleeps til Christmas Day.



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