

DEPTFORD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th December 2021

It's been a productive but exhausting half-term, and both our children and staff have earned a well deserved rest! We wish you all a restful and joyful holiday and a Happy New Year! The children have really enjoyed the end of term activities. Please be reminded that the pantomime link will be available on google classroom until 23rd December in case any children wish to watch it again at home. We look forward to welcoming the children back on **Wednesday 5th January 2022!**

To all our families who celebrate: **Happy Christmas!**



School Meals: Year 3 to Year 6

Payment for the school meals for the Spring Term will be **£132.75**

5th January ~ 11th February = £65.25

21st February ~ 1st April = £67.50

Dinners are **£2.25** a day or **£11.25** per week payable in advance.

Term Dates

Tuesday 4th January ~ Inset Day

Wednesday 5th January ~ Children return to school

Friday 11th February ~ Last day of Half Term

Monday 14th ~ 18th February ~ Half Term Holiday

Monday 21st February ~ Children return to school

Friday 1st April ~ Last day of Term

Safeguarding **Year 5 and 6 gate**

When we come back the Year 5 and 6 gate **ONLY** will be open from **8.45 am** so the year 5 and 6 children can come straight into the playground. Please remind them that they should not wait for their friends outside but come straight into the playground.

Many thanks!

A big thank you!

We raised £145.56p

**for Save The Children
Christmas Jumper Day**

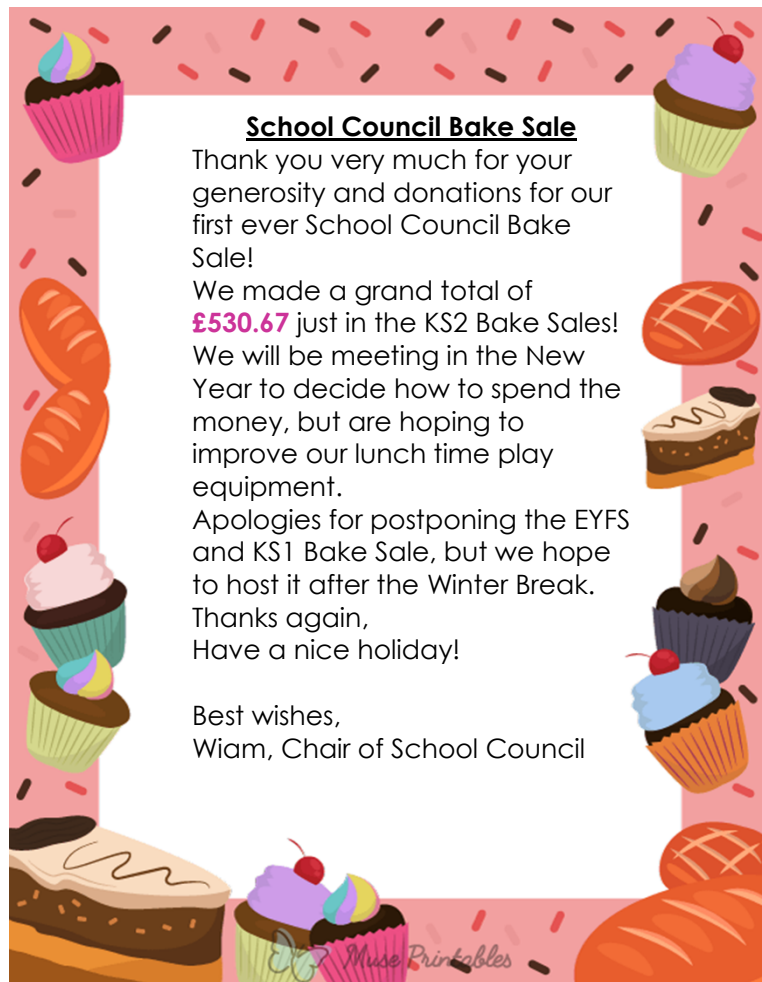




The Y5 and 6 'Green Team' have been busy this term. We have cleared beds and planters of weeds, dug over the ground to help worms, installed flowerbed dividers and even planted daffodil bulbs! To make children aware that delicate plants are in the

planters, the team designed signs to ask others to look after our plants. These signs were then finished by sawing up wood, attaching the signs to the hand-built stakes and then placing them around the KS2 playground. We even managed to write a Christmas Wish list to a construction company asking for some tools and equipment. Fingers crossed we will hear from them in the new year.

Next term we will be helping clear some of the back field; making sure flowers are available for pollinators; and it will be 'thyme' to plant some fragrant herbs!



Rock Steady came in to do an assembly for all children in the school. If you would like your child to sign up for lessons please scan this QR code:



Christmas Door Staff Competition:

A huge well done to everyone who got involved in the Christmas door competition this year! The creations around the school look absolutely amazing and it has been so wonderful hearing the children talking so animatedly about their favourites for the past few weeks!

Today, the student council members in Year 3-6 met to vote on the two categories; Best Door Overall and Best Team Effort. With this in mind, the councillors considered their votes very carefully and made a point to consider the amount of effort, creativity and imagination behind each door. It was a close call but we managed to find a winner for each category.

Drum roll please

Best Door Overall this year went to **Erin's door (Jade Class)**, a massive congratulations for your hard work and efforts! Best Team Effort award went to the Year 6 Team for their Silent Night, Gingerbread people and Advent Calendar themed doors.

Once again, a huge well done all round to everyone! The children already can't wait to see what we all come up with next year!



Curriculum highlights continued from this half-term...

Finding out about Diwali...



Teachers' Christmas doors competition

John (Garnet class) one of the Year 6 runners up



Flu Vaccination

If your child missed the flu vaccination in school the Lewisham Health Team will be doing catch up clinics.

Please call to book an appointment

020 3049 1897

07341 888 528

Thank you

Attendance

We will continue to monitor attendance very carefully and remind you that holidays **should not** be taken during term time.

The best attendance so far this academic year are:

1st ~ Quartz 2nd ~ Opal 3rd ~ Emerald

Well done!

A copy of this newsletter can also be downloaded from the school website:
www.deptfordpark.lewisham.sch.uk

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