

# CALSHOT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

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### Christmas Events

We are fast approaching the Christmas festivities across school and I want to let parents know the arrangements that we have made this year.

The children have been rehearsing the Christmas performances and are very excited as they are wonderful occasions that we all look forward to. I have spoken to Public Health about the performances, they have explained the level of risk that having so many parents in a confined space will have (2 weeks before the Christmas holidays), and for this reason we will be holding the performances virtually. The performances will take place during the school day and recorded so that parents and loved ones can view them in the safety of their own home. You will be given access to the performances via a QR code or web address, so you can watch them on a computer, iPad or phone. I will send the codes out the following week once Mrs Hatfield has downloaded them on to the school You-Tube account. The performances will be on a closed account that can only be accessed by parents with the relevant access code.

The performances will take place on: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December - EYFS Nativity 1 (am)

- Year 3 & 4 Christmas Pantomime (pm)

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December - KS1 Christmas Play (am)

- EYFS Nativity 2 (pm)

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December - Year 5 & 6 Carol Concert (pm)

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December, the children will be having a Christmas celebration day, where they will be able to come to school in fancy dress, pyjamas or come in non-school uniform. We ask that, if possible, they bring in 50 pence which will go towards the cost of the Christmas parties. On the same day, we will hold a cake sale and sweet stall which children can buy from during morning and afternoon playtimes. Any cake donations can be brought to school on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December and will be gratefully received. Again all proceeds will go towards the Christmas parties.

There will be a children's Christmas hamper raffle taking place from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December organised by Friends Of Calshot parents. The raffle will be drawn on the Thursday before we break up. Any toys, gifts or treats that can be added to the hamper will be really appreciated.

Christmas parties will take place across school on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December and children can wear their party clothes into school that day. This year we ask that children bring in their own party food in a bag, this way we can limit the risk of spreading any infections as the children will not be able to share food with each other. We also hope that Father Christmas will make an appearance, as long as he is not too busy and that the reindeers are behaving themselves. I have been assured that he has been double vaccinated, so is safe to go around school although he may require a face mask if he can find one that will fit over his huge beard.

Christmas Dinner day is on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December, a very popular treat. You will need to go onto your Dolce account to order a Christmas dinner if you would like your child to have one.

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December, we will be holding our very entertaining 'Calshot's Got Talent' show in the hall. We will be holding two shows so that the children are not crammed in the hall, there will be one for Reception and KS1 and another for KS2, with prizes for the winners.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December is the last day of term. Traditionally it is our Christmas Jumper day where the children can come in non-school uniform wearing their Christmas jumpers. If they wish to do so we ask that they donate 50 pence. It will also be toy day so children can bring in a toy in from home to play with in class.

### Girls Football Team

Last Thursday the Year Five and Six Girl's Football Team took part in the North Birmingham Football Tournament at Goals in Great Barr. They performed amazingly and won the entire tournament. I am so proud of how well they played; they absolutely stuffed everyone they played against. Another huge thank you to Miss Trude and Mr Walker for organising and managing the team. I have included the results, as you can see the girls were brilliant. Game 1: Barr View, we won 8-0, Game 2: Greenholm, we won 9-0, Game 3: St Edmunds, we won 5-0, Semi-finals: St Michaels, we won 4-0, Finals: Beeches, we won 5-0. The girl's team is Jessica (6H), Aset (6H), Zara (6H), Molly (6H), Lily (6C), Poppy (6C) and Evie-Mae (6C & Captain); Quite an achievement!

'The girls were all amazing, such a credit to Calshot. They worked so well as a team, supported each other, passed the ball well and made sure everyone was involved in the game. Mr Walker selected Evie as captain and she took the role in her stride, holding team talks before each game and offering words of encouragement. I'm so proud of all of them' - Miss Trude (Assistant Manager)

'We won! Calshot Girls team played five matches and won all of them. The final match was tense as they (Beeches) are a good team but our team was amazing. Well done Calshot!' - Jessica (Y6)

'I'm extremely proud of all the girls who took part. Everyone showed a great attitude throughout the tournament and good sportswomanship. We played Perry Beeches in the final but everyone showed a great desire to win and never gave up. Well done Calshot!' - Evie-Mae (Y6)



## Reception Applications - Sept 2022

To apply for Reception places for September 2022, parents must visit [www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions) and submit an online application by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022 (final closing date). If you have any questions, please contact Children's Services on 0121 303 1888. Please note, **all parents** need to apply, even if your child is currently in our Nursery.

## Children In Need

Last Friday, the children took part in Children In Need across school and looked fantastic in their sparkly clothes. With all the donations counted we raised a fabulous £277.90, which is wonderful as Children In Need support so many important charities.

'We celebrated Children In Need and dressed up all sparkly. I wore my sparkly zebra top and had fun!' - Katie (4T)

## School Fund

This week £15.10 was collected in School Fund this week, which is superb! May I take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have paid. It does mean we can buy those 'extra' things for the children.

Mr. M. Wingrove

(Head Teacher)

