

# Headlines

Morgan's Vale and Woodfalls CE Primary School Newsletter  
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## 13 Sleeps 'till Santa

A few days ago we were visited by Spire FM to record the children singing 13 Sleeps 'till Santa and this was broadcast today several times during the morning and will be on again this afternoon at 3.50pm. There is also a video on their website!

## Routines during Building Work

Thank you very much for bearing with us during the current building work. Whilst the teaching and learning in the classrooms haven't been affected, it has placed a strain on the admin side of the School.

Please could you help us by ensuring that if you need to collect or drop off your child or give anything to them between 9am and 3.15pm, you do this by going to the office first rather than trying to access the main School Building. Can I also remind you to help us by contacting the School (by email or phone – leaving a message on the answer machine is fine) before 9.15am if your child is ill. Registration is at 8.55am and children will be marked late if they arrive in School after this.

The building work is currently running a little behind schedule, but we are hoping to be in by February half term.

## Activities

Due to the Pantomime and Nativity performances this week, there will be no after school activities for the remainder of the term. Breakfast Club will continue every day as usual.

## Friends Fundraisers

Between the Friends stalls and the Class stalls we raised over £1000 at the Spirit of Christmas

which was fantastic. We are in the process of planning the shelving and seating for the new School library which will go into the current Spirals classroom when the building is complete.

The Friends are experimenting with providing refreshments at the Pantomime and the Nativity this week.

A hot drink and mince pie will be available for £1 and will be sold: Before the **Pantomime** performances, from 6.10 pm, from the classroom nearest the parent shelter. Please access this from the outside door as children will be changing in the other classrooms within the School.

After the **Nativity** performances refreshments will be available from the parent shelter – you will be welcome to return to the School Hall after collecting your drink and mince pie. Again please do not enter the classroom area of the School building.

## Lost Property

During the course of a term we accumulate quite a bit of lost property. Any unnamed items will be placed in the black bin just inside the KS1 entrance. Named items are usually returned to a child's peg although clothing, coats and bags do tend to find their way into the troughs under the pegs and then migrate up and down the corridor so it's often worth checking there too if something has gone missing.

It's a good time of the year to check that all school uniform items are named clearly and check that your child has not returned home with another child's clothing by mistake!

## Uniform

We have noticed a number of non-uniform items being worn in School recently. We try to keep our uniform policy as simple and as cost effective as possible. Please help us to keep our children looking smart by keeping to the uniform on our list. Footwear in particular seems to lead to the greatest variety. The uniform for boys and girls is black sensible shoes. Many shoe manufacturers produce some sporty styles of school shoe so wearing trainers is not necessary and a range of brightly coloured trainers looks very untidy. Please bear this in mind if you are purchasing new school shoes for your child over the holiday.

## Diary Dates

### Sleeping Beauty's Dream KS2 Pantomime Performances

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm

### Lights, Camel Action Early Years and KS1 Nativity Performances

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 10am  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 10am

### Christmas Dinner, Christmas Jumper Day (in aid of Save the Children) and Zig Zag biscuit sale (in aid of Class funds)

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

### Christmas Parties

EY/KS1: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> afternoon  
KS2: Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> afternoon

### Carol Service

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 9.15am  
in St Birinus Church

### Last Day of Term 2

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December

### TD Day

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January

### First Day of Term 3

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January

### Beauty and the Beast Pantomime

In School on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January