



Thursday 17th December 2009

On behalf of the Governors can I say an enormous thank you to Dave Cole for all the hard work and enthusiasm that he has brought to Reigate Parish over this last term. He has worked tirelessly for all the children and staff to ensure that Reigate Parish is a vibrant learning environment and we wish him well in his new position.

Christmas Show

This year's Christmas Show (Sparkle) was a delightful twist on the nativity story. The underlying message of the story is to do our best whoever we are and that each one has a special destiny to fulfil. As always, it involved an incredible amount of hard work from the staff and the children alike. Everyone knew their words, sang beautifully and delighted their audience. Well done!

Staffing News

We are saying goodbye to one member of our lunchtime team. Mrs Inglis is one of our midday supervisors and has worked at Reigate Parish for four years. We will miss her and wish her well for the future.

Cover Teacher - Thursdays in Caterpillars and Fridays in Honeybees

After a rigorous selection process including interviews and activities with the children, I am delighted to announce that Mrs Claire Sylvester will be the new cover teacher for Caterpillars and Honeybees from January, replacing Mrs Helen Jones. Mrs Sylvester has a wealth of teaching experience and we are looking forward to welcoming her as a member of staff.





Fundraising

Once again the school fair team Michelle Pegley, Cecelia McCullen, Anna Tarrant and Annette Hooper did an amazing job at the Christmas Fair and raised over £2,000. Many thanks to all who gave up their time to support the event and particularly Annette Hooper, who had the unenviable task of counting all the money.



We collected:

49 boxes for the Operation Christmas Child appeal

£505.89 for Children in Need

£267.95 for the RNLI from the Christmas performances

Thanks to everyone for their generosity.

Gardening Project:

Thank you to all parents who bought The Surrey Mirror and voted for our school to win cash for our gardening project. We received 117 votes through the school collection box! 17 for blue team; 19 for yellow team; 23 for red team. (This does not include votes direct to the paper.)

School lunches:

Lunch letters will be coming home in book bags today, Friday 18th December and the cost for the first half of term is £55.10. If your child is changing from packed lunch to school meal, please can you **tell** the office on the first day back and not put a note in the office box. We may not pick it up in time for lunch on the first day. Any credits will be held on the lunch account until next term.

Term starts at 8.55 am on Monday 4th January 2009.

And finally, as you may know, today is one of my last days with the school. I will be taking up a new Interim Headship at another Surrey Infant School after Christmas. Before I go, I wanted to let you know how much I have enjoyed my time here. Thank you so much to the children, the parents, the staff and the Governors for all your support and friendship over the past term. You are a special group of people and I will definitely miss you. I wish you all well in your future endeavours and have every confidence that Frances Ayres will continue to take the school from strength to strength.

The Staff and Governors of Reigate Parish Church School would like to wish parents and children a Happy Christmas and a very peaceful New Year

Club dates for first half of the spring term:

- Monday 11th January 2010** - Chess including free taster session until 8th February 2010 (not 1st February - INSET day)
- Monday 11th January 2010** - Encore Arts until 8th February 2010 (not 1st February - INSET day)
- Tuesday 12th January 2010** - Encore Arts until 9th February 2010
- Tuesday 12th January 2010** - Recorders until 9th February 2010
- Wednesday 13th January 2010** - Fulham Football until 10th February 2010
- Wednesday 13th January 2010** - French until 10th February 2010
- Thursday 14th January 2010** - Tennis until 25th March 2010
- Friday 15th January 2010** - Tennis until 26th March 2010
- Friday 15th January 2010** - French until 12th February 2010

Diary Dates 2009/2010:

AUTUMN TERM 2009	
Friday 18 th December	Christmas parties and last day of term. School finishes at 1.30pm
SPRING TERM 2010	
Monday 4 th January	Term starts at 8.55am
Monday 11 th January	Chess Club - free trial for Year 2 children
Wednesday 20 th January	7.30 pm - PTA meeting in the school hall
Thursday 21 st January	9.00 am - Prayer Group in staffroom
Monday 1 st February	School Closed - INSET training
Thursday 4 th February	Year 1 Perform Drama - 'Around the World' 2.15 pm Parents' Forum
Monday 15 th to Friday 19 th February	HALF TERM
Monday 8 th March	School Closed - INSET training
Friday 12 th March	Red Nose Day
Tuesday 30 th March	2.00 pm Easter service at St Mary's Church
Wednesday 31 st March	Terms ends at 1.30 pm
SUMMER TERM 2010	
Monday 19 th April	Term starts at 8.55 am
Thursday 20 th May	Tempest class photographs
31 st May - 4 th June	Half term
Thursday 24 th and Friday 25 th June	School Closed - INSET training
Friday 23 rd July	Term ends at 1.30 pm



