



School Newsletter



**Wednesday 19th December... The final Christmas Issue!
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Dear Parents,

Only 6 more sleeps! Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents for supporting us over the festive period, the children have had a fabulous time with Christmas performances, parties and the Christmas Fayre; every year things seem to get better and better. Both the Reception and Key Stage 1's 'Lights, Camel, Action', and the Key Stage 2 performance of 'Scrooge' were both truly magnificent. I'm sure you will join me in thanking our fantastic teaching team who always give 110% in everything they do, we are very lucky indeed! I would also like to thank the Parent Council for the amazing Christmas Grotto and Christmas Fayre, the grotto was truly magical, and combined with the fayre, raised over **£2,300** toward our stage. These events are not easy to put together, so if you would like to have a say in how these events are organised, please do come to our meetings and help. The next Parent Council coffee morning is Wednesday 30th January and the next meeting for organising events is Monday 4th February at 3.15. All are welcome. I would also like to thank Dreamland who gave every child a 'goodie bag' to say thank to our children for being magnificent in our recent collaborations. Finally, can I say thank you on behalf all the staff for the lovely cards and presents we have received. Have a lovely Christmas!



Dates for your diary:

**Term 2 ends – Wednesday
19th December at 2pm.
There will be no RAPS After
School Club!**

**Thursday 3rd January INSET
Day**

**Friday 4th January INSET
Day**

**Monday 7th January –
Children back to school**

Arts Curriculum starts

**Take One Picture Exhibition-
3.15-4.15 All welcome.**

**Friday 11th January -100%
Behaviour Treat.**

**Friday 18th January –Play in a
Day!**

**Week beginning 11th
February Parent/ Teacher
meetings**



Staff Changes.

Sadly we are saying good bye to Miss Beale who has been with the RAPS team since we have been on our Chilton site as an apprentice, we have watched her grow and now she is leaving us for ventures new and to start a new family. We all wish her the best of luck and she will be sadly missed by all our team. Mrs Horrigan will be joining Team Beraet to support Mr Bereat and Mr Brown. Miss Aikin and Mrs Barnes will continue their development as teachers away from RAPS for January. Mrs Tranham, Miss Stoker and Mrs Scar-Steel, who are extremely familiar with team Barnes, will continue to take the children until she returns at the end of January.

We also welcome Mrs Trevelyan, who is already familiar with the school and will be joining Mrs Brown and Mrs Hardley as a new member of our Administrative team. This will mean that Mrs Elliot will be free to continue with her role as Well-Being Assistant. Mrs Carment will be joining Team Dannell and Mrs Scar Steel will be joining the Reception team. Finally, Mrs Fetherstein and Mrs Marchant will be joining us to add capacity to our lunch-time team.

Take One Picture

The school is taking part in the Take One Picture project run by the National Gallery. All the children have been looking at one picture this term – Men of the Dock by George Bellows. We are inviting you to view their work at our first gallery viewing on Monday 7th January at 3.15-4.15. At 3.30-3.45 there will be a short explanation of the project by Karen Vost, who has been supporting the children with their work. Year 6 will also be singing some of their favourite songs.

