



Putteridge Primary School

Newsletter Issue No. 4

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are already half way through December and the end of the Autumn term has arrived. I would like to say a big well done to all of the children for their efforts and a big thank you to staff for their hard work throughout this term.

It was wonderful to see so many parents attend the Christmas performances put on by the classes in Foundation Stage, Year 1 and Year 2 – I am sure you will join me in saying a huge well done to all of the children and staff involved – the performances were absolutely fantastic!

It was also a delight to see so much parental support for our Key Stage 2 concert at Stopsley Baptist Church. I am sure you will agree that the children put on an amazing performance, with some beautiful singing, and that all of the children and staff involved deserve a huge well done. Thank you also to those parents who were able to help walk the children to and from the church – your support in this was greatly appreciated.

I wish you a very happy and safe festive season and we look forward to see everyone again on Thursday 4th January, 2024.

Kind regards,

Colin Pickard



At the end of this term, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs S Ward, one of our teaching assistants in Years 3 and 4. Mrs Ward has worked at Putteridge for 29 years, starting first as part of the site team of the Junior School, then moving in to supporting children's learning throughout Key Stage 2.

We are also saying goodbye to Mrs Maguire, who leaves our site team to enjoy retirement. Mrs Maguire has worked at Putteridge for the last 4 and a half years and has worked extremely hard as part of the cleaning team to ensure that the school looks as clean and tidy as it does.

I am sure you will join me in thanking them both for their hard work and wishing them well in their retirement.

When we return in January, Miss Choudhury will be joining us as teaching assistant in Years 3 & 4 and we have two new members of the site team, Mrs Sanko and Miss Begum.

Keech Hospice retirement collections

A big thank you to everyone who was able to contribute at the end of the Christmas performances – your generosity has resulted in £618.31 being donated to this very deserving local cause.





Attendance Figures



Well done to our weekly attendance winners for the month of December, who are listed below:

Week ending
08/12/23
15/12/23

Key Stage 1 & EYFS
Gold Class (98.52%)
Orange Class (98.67%)

Key Stage 2
6N (98.67%)
6P (98.67%)



We have been informed that Putteridge Primary School amassed the largest number of items for the Foodbank across the town and we will be receiving a trophy to acknowledge this – thank you to everyone who was able to donate food items to help us achieve this!

Early finish on Tuesday 19th December



A reminder that as the term ends this week, **ALL** year groups will finish at **2pm on Tuesday 19th December** – please ensure that you have noted the change in finish time for this day and have suitable arrangements in place to collect your child(ren).



Spring term start date

A reminder that the children return to school on **Thursday 4th January 2024** (Wednesday 3rd January is a staff training day).

Values Programme

The value for the month of
January
is
'Generosity'



Spring term school lunch menu

Please check your ParentMail for the new school lunch menus for the Spring term 2024 – we will be starting on Week 1, Thursday menu choices when the children return on the 4th January.

These menus are also available on our school website.

<https://www.putteridgeprimaryschool.org.uk/page/?title=School+Meals%2C+Packed+Lunches+%26amp%3B+Allergens&pid=147>