



Fleetville News

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to have appointed Claire Dickens to cover Mrs Lupin's maternity leave. She has met the class and will be working closely with Mrs Ball to ensure a smooth handover in January.

Please remember that school finishes at 1.45 next Friday. Please let the office staff know by next Tuesday if your child will need to stay beyond that time so that arrangements can be made. FACES after school club will operate as normal.

This will be the last newsletter of the year and we would like to take the opportunity of thanking you for your ongoing support. Learning is about so much more than the activities that take place during the school day. It is great to hear about families planning activities to support learning outside school. Next week you will receive the curriculum overview for the spring term.

We are looking forward to the Year 6 performance of AlterNativity next Monday. It is a musical written for a cast of 90 by Jill Priest, one of our Year 6 parents. We are enormously grateful for the time and effort and commitment she has given to help the children prepare. Thank you also to the team of parents that have helped with the preparations and rehearsals. There are still a few tickets left for the evening performance - please contact the school office if you would like to purchase one.

Next Wednesday, a Fleetville choir will sing as part of the Rotary Club Christmas concert at St Peters Church. We are sure it will be an enjoyable occasion.

We are sure you would like to join us in thanking Jo Maher and the NEXUS team. The end of the year gives us the opportunity to reflect on the impact of the services they provide.

The PTA committee have been very busy recently - organising fireworks, discos and present buying events. We appreciate the hard work that they do to bring the Fleetville and school community together.

Finally, we wish you and your family a restful and enjoyable Christmas and look forward to seeing everyone in January

Jeremy Loukes and Kathryn Ball

Dates for your diary

14/12/09	Yr6 AlterNativity
15/12/09	Christmas Dinner
16/12/09	Rotary Club Concert
18/12/09	School finishes at 1.45 for Christmas holidays
4/1/10	INSET DAY
5/1/10	School re-starts for children

Dear Children,

Last Sunday, one of the Fleetville choirs performed at the St Albans Choral Society's Christmas concert. It was a wonderful event and great to see parents and children performing at the same concert. The quality of the singing was outstanding and commented on by many people in the audience after the concert.

Year 5 performance - You took us on a whistle stop tour of Christmas around the World, visiting countries in each continent. You shared lots of information about traditions, food and gifts as well as entertaining us - the Santa on a surf board was particularly memorable! Your singing was enthusiastic and it was great to hear confident speaking and instrumental groups.

We expect you are looking forward to your class parties next Thursday. You will have already decided what each of you are able to contribute in the way of food and drink.

Football: 4-0 was the winning score when the girls played against Cunningham Hill this week. A great result largely due to some impressive teamwork and determination.

We are looking forward to the performance of AlterNativity on Monday which will take place at the Sandpit Theatre at Sandringham School. Year 6 - please remember that we will be meeting at the theatre rather than at school at 9am. We will

meet by the Sandpit Theatre. Please let the office know if you will be dropped off at Fleetville so that we can organise a lift for you.

Year 3 and 4 - Your performances were thoroughly enjoyed by the audiences this week! Your singing, acting and dancing were outstanding and you worked together very effectively to create a wonderful show. Your confidence on stage allowed you to perform the roles rather than just speaking the words. This helped your audience to get to know the characters. We hope you will remember the experience for a long time.

Thank you to the PTA for arranging the wrapping day on Thursday this week. It was lovely to see everyone choosing gifts for other people - we often mention how important it is to think of others and this was a great opportunity to demonstrate your selflessness.

We will have our Carol Service next Friday morning - a chance to reflect on why we celebrate at this time of year.

We hope you will all get the chance to spend some time with your families and friends over the holiday. We wish you all a very happy Christmas!

Mr Loukes and Mrs Ball

