



# Bellfield Infant School News

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16 SLEEPS UNTIL  
CHRISTMAS!



## Dear Parents & Carers

*Happiness and wonder  
inspires success*

We had a very successful Christmas Fayre outside on the playground on Thursday and it was well supported by you, so thank you. The raffle was drawn at 3:15pm and the winners were pulled out. We have the phone numbers of the winners who weren't there to collect their prize and we shall be getting in touch with them to give them the good news. Today the children had a very enjoyable day, participating in Christmas activities. Father Christmas visited and he met some of the children in his grotto. No doubt he will be visiting all the children again soon. For the children who could not join in the Christmas activities, staff ensured they did not miss out by providing Christmas crafts and watched Christmas films during the morning. We appreciate that the current cost of living crisis made it difficult for all children to participate in the Christmas activities provided by our 'Friends of Bellfield', but we ensured all the children had a nice time regardless.

A special thank you goes out to all the hard work from the 'Friends of Bellfield'. Thanks to all of you who helped to make the event a success. Also, a big thank you to our office staff who organised the sale of the raffle and performance tickets, sorted all the paper work out and coordinated who was doing what and when.

We are very pleased to tell you that the final amount raised was £1927!!! This includes £317.00 in performance ticket sales. This is the most we have ever raised and it will be a huge addition to our School Fund. This will enable us to afford to treat the children throughout the year and reduce the cost of School trips to make them more affordable for all.

On Wednesday, we had our Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings, including crackers! All the children thoroughly enjoyed their dinner as did the staff who joined them. We would like to thank the kitchen staff for their extra work to provide us with our Christmas dinner.

It has come to our attention that not everyone is accessing 'School Ping' which means they are not getting up to date messages about what is going on in school. Consequently, some children are missing out. From this week we shall be putting a copy of our newsletter in each classroom window so please do look out for it as it has information about future events and activities. We do encourage parents to download the FREE School Ping app on their phones and have notifications switched on. The newsletter is also uploaded onto our website every Friday afternoon, so there really is no reason for parents to inform us that they didn't know what was going on in school. Unfortunately, there is only so much we can do to try and communicate with parents and it does require effort on both sides. Any problems with School Ping, please speak to the School office.

Attendance this week (excluding Nursery)  
was 88.39%

Class	Attendance %
Nursery	89.03%
RB	87.33%
RD	89.66%
1B	92.22%
1R	84.14%
2B	85.67%
2W	91.72%



**Well Done to Class 1B who achieved the  
highest attendance this week!**

# We have had lots of festive fun in school this week!



Next week is our final week of this term and what a term it has been! We thought the stress of COVID was behind us but now we have Scarlet Fever! However to reassure you, we are making sure that we follow all guidance and make sure the children are washing their hands at every opportunity. I know that what we see in the press is very scary indeed but in most children it's just a sore throat and they don't feel very well for a couple of days, fortunately it's rare to have a serious reaction.

## Day Care News

We are looking forward to seeing you on Tuesday 13th at 9:15am for our Christmas Production. We will also be having a special visit from Santa!

Day care would like to announce that we have received a Startwell award in recognition of our achievement in staying healthy. The children have learnt about eating healthy and how important it is to keep ourselves physically fit.

Children can be collected at 1pm next Friday, but school will remain open until normal finish time for parents who cannot collect early.

## Dates for your Diary

**Tues 13/12/22** - Day care Christmas Performance 9:15am

**Wed 14/12/2022** - Christmas Party Day and Disco

**Fri 16/12/22** - Last day of Autumn term

Children can be collected at 1pm but school will remain open until normal finish time for parents who cannot collect early.

**Christmas Holiday**  
**19th December 2022- 2nd January 2023**

**Tue 03/01/23** - School re-opens for Spring term

February 2023 Half term  
20th February - 24th February