



# Calmore Infant School

Autumn Newsletter 13- Friday 8th December 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to welcome you and your family to our nativity performances, the children were amazing and singing and using the Makaton actions. Thank you for the support in helping provide costumes for your children.

Year R enjoyed taking part in a stagecoach drama workshop this week all around the story of Goldilocks and the 3 bears. We are really grateful to Stagecoach for providing these workshops to us free of charge.

All of these activities are designed to give the children more confidence in trying new opportunities and to develop their language and vocabulary.

## Dates Coming Up:

Monday 11th Dec – Pantomime in School for all year groups – see Arbor for details

Wednesday 13th Dec – School Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 13th Dec – Yr 2 African Drumming concert 2:30pm, parents invited

## Well Done and Thank you Stars



Ducklings: Pandora, Ruby & James

Penguins: Annabelle, Maxwell & Archie

Owls: Harry, Kodi & Ivy

Goldfinches: Annabelle, Harrison & Harry

Robins: Alana & Orla

Swallows: Dexter, Summer & Thomas



## Biscuit Break Winners:

The class with the best attendance this week was Goldfinches Class with 98% attendance. Well done to all in the Goldfinches class!

## Illness in school:

As normally happens at the end of a busy term, we have lots of children in school with colds or coughs. This is a good time to teach your child to blow their nose independently!



Please make sure that if your child has a temperature they stay at home until the temperature has gone.

This is a good time to check the emergency contacts that we have for you on Arbor as people often are hard to get hold of and we may need to try to call more than one emergency contact if your child is unwell at school.

## Scarlet Fever

We have had a couple of cases of scarlet fever identified in our Year 1 classes. If you think your child may have this we have included some information on scarlet fever.

**Scarlet fever is a contagious infection that mostly affects young children. It's easily treated with antibiotics.**

The first signs of scarlet fever can be flu-like symptoms, including a high temperature, a sore throat and swollen neck glands (a large lump on the side of your neck).

A rash appears 12 to 48 hours later. It looks like small, raised bumps and starts on the chest and tummy, then spreads. The rash makes your skin feel rough, like sandpaper.

On white skin the rash looks pink or red. On brown and black skin it might be harder to see a change in colour, but you can still feel the rash and see the raised bumps.

If you would like to find out more, the following website is very useful;

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/scarlet-fever/>

Use the QR code to find out more.



## Spare Clothes

May we remind you that all children need a named set of spare clothes on their pegs. Children like wearing their own sets of clothes when they have an accident.

It would really help your child if you were able to make sure that these are in a clearly labelled bag, clean and ready to wear should the need arise.



## Can Do Festival

The children from Year 1 and 2 were amazing at representing our school. They worked well as a team and took part in everything. They had a chance to try seated volleyball, goal ball, Boccia, curling and bowling. Sidney was selected for a medal for showing great passion and enthusiasm and Summer was chosen for showing respect and great sportsmanship.



## FCIS Fundraising Update

We are pleased to confirm that FCIS raised an amazing £1,200 from the Winter Fayre at the end of December! Thank you to everyone who came along or purchased raffle tickets for the event..

FCIS have also confirmed they will extend the deadline for the payments for Christmas shopping until Monday morning. If you have not paid for your child to do Christmas shopping and wish to do so, please ensure payment is made over the weekend via

SumUp: <https://fcis.sumupstore.com/>

We hope you all have a lovely weekend and your child has lots of early nights as we have a lot of things planned for next week.

Mrs Willes and Mrs Weaver