



# NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers

I have been privileged to be able to take time to walk around the school and see all of the exciting learning taking place in all the classes this week.

Christmas arrived early in Squirrels with a Santa’s grotto appearing in the role play corner! Deer and Owl classes have been spending time on the stage getting ready for their performance of Dinky Donkey. Red Kites have made some fantastic Iron Men which are on display in the reception area. Robins have been making ‘runes’ out of clay linked to their Traders and Raiders topic. Foxes have been writing space poems and Badgers had a Mexican Festival. As you can see another quiet week at Fernhurst Primary! The weather has not put a damper on any of our learning!

Amongst all of the exciting learning Mrs Malt and Miss A Barnes hosted a phonics workshop for Key Stage One parents. Parents learnt all about the different phases in our phonic scheme Read Write Inc and went home with armfuls of goodies to support their children. I would like to thank Josephine Harrison, James Vigar, Seb Shepherd and Mrs Brown for staying behind and helping to run the crèche with me.

William Wilkes, the brass musical instrument teacher from West Sussex Music, visited the school on Thursday. The children really enjoyed listening to him playing the trumpet. He is now offering free taster lessons, here at Fernhurst, for any Key Stage 2 children who might like to learn the trumpet or cornet. If you think your child might be interested, please pick up a letter from the Office.

The Christmas tree has arrived today!!! This is kindly donated every year by Robin Barnes and his family, who also allow us to use their woods for our amazing forest school. If anyone would like to have the tree when term ends, please do come and see the Office.

We are very lucky that as a school we are so well supported by our local community. Two more big thank yous’ need to go to Lana Kelsey and Paul Avery. Lana’s company, Top Banana Cleaning, kindly sponsored an advert in the local press to promote the school. Whilst Paul, from Allen Avery Interiors, has supplied us with some beautiful fabric to re upholster the chairs in Oscars. We are incredibly grateful to Paul for this and for also giving us some fantastic fabric sample books to be used in art classes.

Mrs Richardson is recovering well from her operation and we hope to see her back in school soon!

Wishing you a very happy weekend.

Mrs Isaac on behalf of the SLT.

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS



Congratulations to Isla Simpson-Hadden who has made her Brownie promise!

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



**SQUIRRELS**

Lorelai Parker

**DEER**

Arthur Southon

**OWLS**

Carl Van Der Walt

**RED KITES**

Tayla-Jayne Lewis

**ROBINS**

Riley Inder

**FOXES**

Neve Wallace

**BADGERS**

Tom Ward

**LUNCHTIME AWARD**

Oskar Hutchinson

**OWLS FOREST SCHOOL**

Skylla Inder

**BADGERS FOREST SCHOOL**

Lily Skelton

**HEAD BOY AND GIRL AWARD**

Sebastian Shepherd

**DEPUTY HEAD BOY AND GIRL**

James Vigar and Josephine Harrison

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