

# Headteacher's Headline

### Light Fantastic Parties

Once again the children enjoyed the Light Fantastic parties thanks to the hard work and enthusiasm of Fiona Ives and Rachel Stevens and their team. A big thank you to everyone involved. The children said "I liked it when I made my own treasure" Phoebe Y2. "It was really bright and colourful" Amy Y2 " I loved the costumes, the balloons and all the lights" Ben Y1. " I liked the chocolate and playing musical statues and sleeping lions" Tyrone Y1. There were lots of things to do I felt really happy." Josie Y1. I remember that it was a really fun place to be." Phoebe Y1.

### Fireworks

Another spectacular evening. The display does seem to get better each year and this year we have raised a massive £2,450 profit. So a huge thanks go to Georgina Shaylor and Thesesa Craig for leading the evening and all their helpers. The firework- lighting team also deserve a massive thank you as without them it would not be possible. They spend hours setting up the fireworks and then clearing the Grammar School grounds the following morning. Their dedication is really appreciated as is the work Chris Wield put in to give us the music that adds so much to the atmosphere of the evening.

### Prayer Group

Just a reminder about the Reigate Parish School Prayer Group. The next session will be on Thursday 15th November between 9.05 and 9.30 am in the staff room. Everyone is welcome.

### Christmas Greetings

At Reigate Parish we do not have a Christmas post box for cards. Instead we encourage the children to make or bring one card for the whole class that will be displayed on the Christmas message board in each classroom. This is more environmentally friendly, encourages creativity and reduces the stress and expense (for parents) of writing loads of cards. Please support us in this Christmas tradition.

### Christmas Making Day Monday 3rd December

For those of you new to the school, Christmas making day is when we spend a whole day creating Christmas decorations and displays. It is a very busy day and it works best with lots of adult support! If you are able to help for part of the day please fill in the reply slip below and return it to your child's class teacher. Some classes are very organised and have rotas—please check with your form reps. To allow staff to display all the Christmas creations we will be finishing at 2.30 pm on Monday 3rd December. Part-time children will still go home at 12 noon.

#### Christmas Making Day Monday 3rd December

I am able to help on Christmas Making Day:

9.00–10.15        10.30–12.00 noon        1.30–2.30 pm (not Reception)   

Name: ..... Child's name and class: .....

#### Christmas Lunch

All the children are invited to have a school Christmas lunch on 18th December. If your child usually has a packed lunch but would like a traditional Christmas meal then please return this slip enclosing £1.70 (exact money only) by 3rd December. Parents of part-time children do not need to reply again!

Child's name: ..... Class ..... would like a school Christmas lunch on Tuesday 18th December. I enclose £1.70.



## DIARY EVENTS

### AutumnTerm 2007

Thursday 15th November	9.00 - 9.30 am Prayer Group in staff room
Friday 16th November	PTA Coffee morning and nearly new sale in the hall
Thursday 29th November	Deadline for Shoe Box collection
Monday 3rd December	Christmas making day
Tuesday 4th December	2.15 pm Parents' Forum in the school hall
Saturday 8th December	Christmas Fair
Tuesday 11th December	1.45 pm Nativity Play—dress rehearsal for grandparents and pre-schoolers
Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th December	1.45 pm Nativity Play (doors open at 1.30 pm)
Tuesday 18th December	2.00 pm Church Service at St Mary's Church
Friday 21st December	Christmas party 1.30 pm Term ends
Monday 7th January 2008	New term begins at 8.55 am
Monday 18th—Friday 22nd February 2008	Half term
Tuesday 25th March 2008	INSET day—school closed
Thursday 26th and Friday 27th June 2008	INSET days—school closed

### Year 1 and 2 Maths Bags

Thanks to the hard work of Mrs McKullen and her team the maths bags are ready to go home. We had hoped to have them out much sooner but because there were so many bags missing, or had equipment missing, it has taken a long time to replace bits. It has also cost a lot of valuable PTA money.

Maths bags will be available for those who wish to have one after school on Friday. They will have to be signed for as we need to know who has got them to make sure we get them back.

### Healthy Living Week

There were lots of exciting things to do and the children loved activities. Here are some of the things they said:

**Year 2 visit to Pizza Express**—"I liked the loud noise patting the dough" Lottie. "I liked it when we put the toppings on" Fionn. "I liked punching the dough to flatten it out" William Y2. "I liked pushing the dough up the sides of the tin to make the crust" Kendall Y2. "I thought it was really amazing how the chef spun the dough up in the air and made it bigger." Evie Y2. "I liked it when the chef turned the pizza over my head when it had the sauce on it" Harry P Y2.

**Food Lab**—"I liked the part where we played the game with the tree and we had to run to where the food grew" Oliver F Y2. "We had to guess where the food grew and say yeah!" Jemima Y1. "The orange banana went on the tree and nearly everyone got it right. Everyone thought the carrots went on the tree but they were underground" Chi Y1. "We touched the ostrich egg, it felt hard but it didn't smell very nice!" Michael Y2

**Mobile planetarium visit year 1 and 2**—"There was a machine that blew it up (the inflatable planetarium) and only three people could go in at a time. It was a very long way, it was a bit too dark and they put the torch on, I felt excited" Hope Y1. "It was really exciting I didn't know anything they told us before. I didn't know there was a set of stars called the Orion. The belt has three stars that look really close together but actually they are miles and miles away from each other" Sam Y2. "My favourite bit was the story of Orion because it was half exciting and half sad because Orion was shot." Simon Y2 "

We'll hear from the children in reception after their visit to Morrisons!

*Celebration Assembly*

*Honeybees*

Toby Bishop  
Sophie Booth  
Sam Archer  
Michael Wield  
Lily Ephgrave  
Tommy Jenkins  
Luca Fitzgerald  
Oliver Fisher  
Fionn McNevin  
Harriet Craske  
Dylan Chavasse  
Amy Hitchcock  
Lily Gold  
Thomas Ruffle  
Harry Ross  
Tom Traszko  
Megan Stracey  
Georgie Pearce  
Simon Cowhig  
Esther Cooper

*Butterflies*

Zak Hammond  
Jonathan Davis  
Alisha Clark  
Niamh Chavasse  
Sam Ives  
Alex Nunn

*Celebration Assembly*

*Grasshoppers*

Maisie Hughes  
Kitty Leonard  
Tom Crouch  
Tyrone Boshu  
Harry Bradley  
Elli Hamilton-Miller  
Alistair Reid  
Charlie Bowcher  
Emilia Ashby  
Cornelia Hayden  
Jason Bell  
Ben Lacey  
Poppy McAllister  
Thomas Clayson  
Alex Poort  
Niamh Fletcher  
Oliver Ross  
Joshua Lumsden  
Louis Marshall  
Emily-Jane Thompson  
Hannah McHardie

*Ladybirds*

Joshua aka-Bashorun  
Fleur Cottle  
Molly Stevens  
Ceilan Black  
Jenica Davis  
Adam Tarrant

*Celebration Assembly*

*Dragonflies*

Harry Pope  
Carys Edwards  
George Morgan  
Kendall Jowers  
Thomas Ives  
Erin Longwell  
Freya Shaylor  
Megan Walker  
Ben Parry  
Callum Bradshaw  
Alice Craig  
Evie Russell  
Jules Crone  
Matthew Young  
Jasmyn Cliff-Patel  
William Poort  
Faye Fletcher  
Jemima Williams  
Grace Munday  
Alfie Sturley

*Caterpillars*

James Craske  
Jack Seward  
Eleanor Howarth  
Benjamin Butler  
Amelia Lumsden  
Jemima Clarke  
Hannah Lovibond  
Keela McCullen  
George Clarke  
Sophie Thompson  
Charlie Lebby  
Sarah Joseph  
Oliver Pearce  
Joe Sackett  
Arusha Ewbank  
Jason Ford  
Thomas Pegley  
Rachel Corlett

**Shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child**

We now have a collection date for these shoe boxes and can you please make sure that they are in school by Thursday 29th November **at the latest**. They are being collected first thing on Friday 30th November.