

December 2019

Dear Parents,

I can't believe that it is already the end of the Autumn term. The children have had such a busy week and have enjoyed so many different learning experiences.

I'm sure those people who watched the Key stage 1 and Early Years production will agree that the pupils were all amazing showcasing wonderful acting, dancing and singing skills.

The School Christingle service superbly led by year 5 and 6 was brilliant showcasing so many aspects of their learning this term. The preschool and reception class sang brilliantly. It was a wonderful way to end the term.

The Christmas Fair organised by the Fun for Funds group and school was another success and raised just over £1427. This is an amazing amount and thank you for the support of the group, school staff and also those that attended and helped to make it such a success.

The children also had a brilliant time at the Panto which was supported by the FFFG contributing towards the transport.

We were visited by Dave Smith (from Austin Gold) showcasing aspects of rock music. It was amazing to see the children involved in the music and I'm sure it inspired some young musicians.

Staff update: I am sad to inform you that Mrs Lemmings will be leaving Coates as a 1:1 TA at the end of December. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her amazing dedication to the school.

Over the last few weeks we have been busy recruiting. I am pleased to be able to confirm the appointments:

Administration Assistant - We have appointed Mrs Susan Baxter to the post and will be starting at the end of January.

School Business Manager - We have appointed Mrs Steph Brown who is currently the administration assistant and will be starting at the end of January.

EYFS lead practitioner - We have appointed Sarah Gore who will be starting at the beginning of the Spring term.

I would like to wish all the families of Coates a very Happy Christmas and New Year!

