



Belgrave St Bartholomew's Academy

December Newsletter 2016

Good News

- We had a good turn out at our Autumn term parents evening – 431 parental interviews took place, making a percentage turnout of 89%. We value the opportunity to speak to you about your child's progress in school and hope that you found your appointment useful and informative
- Children in Need – We raised £491 through our pyjama day and cake stall. Thank you for your support.

Christmas Jumper day/School Christmas Dinner



We will be supporting the Donna Louise Hospice Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday 15th December (the same day as the school Christmas dinner). Please could children bring a pound to school and come to school in their Christmas jumpers. It should make our Christmas school dinner extra special. There will be a separate letter for any children who normally have a packed lunch who want to have a Christmas dinner (Christmas crackers included.)

Nursery Intake 2017-2018

As you may be aware, Stoke on Trent City Council fund 15 hours Nursery provision. The governors of Belgrave St Bartholomew's Academy have made the decision to maintain full time provision (same hours as is currently provided) for the academic year 2017-2018. This will be reviewed on an annual basis.

Applications for a Nursery place

The application website is now open for Nursery applications for children who will be aged 3 by/on the 31st August 2017 -

https://www.admissions.stoke.gov.uk/ccsenterprise_admissiononline_live

Parents need to apply by 31st January 2017.

Applications for a Reception place

Parents are also reminded that applications for a place in Reception need to be completed online at www.stoke.gov.uk/admissions and submitted by 15th January 2017. It is extremely important that you apply for a place before the closing date as late applications will not be considered within the same timeframe.

School Closure for Bad Weather:

Would parents please note that school will be open unless information is reported on the radio or on Stoke's website/our website saying we are closed. Please listen to BBC Radio Stoke or Signal 1 during severe weather to find out if our school is closed or check the School closure website on

<http://www.stokeschoolclosures.org.uk>

<http://www.belgraveacademy.org.uk>

Do not assume that if another local school is closed we will be. Please do not ring the school to check as these calls block the lines. Unless you hear we are closed on the radio or see it on the website please send your child to school as we will definitely be open. We will treat all main routes in the school grounds to the building entrances whenever there is inclement weather so far as is reasonably practical. Please take extra care to move around the site safely during these bad weather periods.

DATES FOR DIARY

Key Stage 1 Concerts – Wednesday 7th December at 2.00pm

Thursday 8th December at 9.00am

3Js Christmas Performance – Thursday 8th December at 2.15pm

Reception Concert – Monday 12th December at 9.15am

Nursery Concert – Tuesday 13th December pm

Christmas Parties – Wednesday 14th December

Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas lunch – Thursday 15th December

Christmas Service in School at 9 am on Friday 16th December

School closes at normal time on Friday 16th December and reopens on Wednesday 4th January 2017