



# Newsletter

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## Dear Parents, Carers and Children

The weather has taken a decidedly chilly turn in the last few days - definitely more of a wintry feel in the air - but that just adds to the thrill and excitement of our Christmas preparations. The children are busy practising for their performances, and we would like to invite two adults per child to come along; younger siblings are welcome to attend also. Information regarding arrival times were sent out last week in a separate mailing. The letter has been saved on the website, for your reference.

<https://www.northdowns.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Letters+to+Parents&pid=240>

Information regarding Christmas lunch on **18<sup>th</sup> December**, will be coming out next week. This year, it is again being offered to every pupil in the school. Not only is it Christmas lunch day but it is also a day for coming into school wearing **Christmas jumpers**. In addition, FONDS are organising an **'Elf Run'**. We are raising money for the school as well as the amazing [The Children's Trust](#) charity. Further information about the Elf Run and ways that you can donate will be coming out next week too.

**FINALLY...Thank you FONDS!** As you know, we had the windows replaced in the Hall at Brockham, along with those in the offices and Year 3 building, during the summer holidays. Sadly, we had to dispose of the old window blinds which we had in all of the rooms. However, FONDS came to rescue and have paid for beautiful new blinds for the Hall, Year 3 classrooms and IT Suite - we couldn't have done it without **FONDS** and all of the funds you have helped raise for the school. **Thank you, thank you, thank you!**



## Polite Reminder Regarding Parking at the Brockham Site

We have noticed a few cars continuing to park next to the 'Thank you for Not Parking Here' signs on The Smithers. We do appreciate the challenge in finding places to park at the end of the day, but we are also working hard with our lovely residents who are, at times, subjected to unpleasant comments from parents. I would urge you all to show consideration to everyone. In addition, please do not pull up along Wheelers Lane to drop off - we try to keep the road as clear as possible to help the children cross the road safely - there have been a couple of 'near misses' recently. We would very much appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

## Dorking Schools Year 6 Boys Football Champions



The year 6 boys football team took part in the Dorking schools football tournament on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November in the Meadowbank stadium.

In a very closely contested tournament, the team played well winning four and drawing three games to become overall winners. They go on to represent Dorking in the county final on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January at Meadowbank Football Stadium.

Thank you to Callum from Josh Evans for managing the team and congratulations to all the team.



Thank you to everyone for your donations on Odd Socks Day - we collected £155.60 for Children in Need!

A massive shout out to Mrs Boyer and the School Council for organising the cake sale yesterday - we were incredibly lucky to have so many wonderful cakes to sell! We still need to undertake a 'big count' up of funds so more will be added to our current total for Children in Need - we will let you know what the final figure is in our next Newsletter.

## Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Year 2 Nativity  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December - Junior Christmas Carols Evening  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December - Year 1 Nativity  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Year R Nativity  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December - School Christmas Lunch, Christmas Jumper Day and Elf Run  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December - Break up for Christmas -  
*Infants at 1.00pm and Juniors at 1.15pm*  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December - 1.15 pm onwards FONDS Christmas Fair  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January - Children return to school  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February - Parent Teacher Consultations  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Parent Teacher Consultations  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February - Break up for half term  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February - Children return to school  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April - Break up for Easter  
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April - Children return to school  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Maypole on The Green  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Break up for half term  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Children return to school  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July - Children break up for the summer

**Wishing you an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.**

*JL Douglas*