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THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

Achieving Success Promoting Individual Responsibility and
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Dear Parents and Carers

I cannot believe we are at the end of the Autumn term! It doesn't seem that long ago when we were showing you all around the new classrooms the day before the school year started. Remember the endless deliveries, cardboard boxes, raking through rubble outside and noisy generator? Bit by bit the outside area has developed and we celebrated birthdays, Diwali, our pantomime and nativity performances.



We have achieved so much and come so far in 14 weeks. The children have delighted and amazed us every single day with their enthusiasm and achievements. They are all so special and we will miss them enormously over the holidays. Thank you for your tremendous faith, support and help during this challenging term. I hope you feel, like us, that all our collective efforts have been worthwhile.

Our thanks also go to the members of the Trust and Governors for their vision and continuing support and commitment to our school. I'd like to wish you all a joyous and peaceful Christmas with your families and look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

'STARLIGHT'

Congratulations to all the children for their performances in 'Starlight' this week. I hope you all enjoyed watching them as much as they enjoyed performing for you. I am sure you will agree they all did incredibly well to learn the songs and individual lines at the end of a long and tiring term. My thanks once again to all the staff for all their hard work behind the scenes as well as Angie Tse for accompanying them on the piano and Zoltan Markella for his work on the DVD and download which will be posted at:

<http://www.theheightsprimary.co.uk/nativity-play> before Christmas, we hope, and physical DVDs which will be available in the New Year for £1 each from the office.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

It was lovely to celebrate all the children's achievements with so many of you at our assembly this morning. As well as Pupil of the Term Awards and Spotlights, many of the children received special certificates for their attendance.



CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Crumbs provided us with a delicious Christmas lunch yesterday that the children and staff shared. The children loved the Christmas crackers, music and chocolate log - they even ate the Brussels Sprouts! It was a lovely way to celebrate together.

MESSAGE FROM THE EFA

Further to the meeting for parents held on Monday evening please find a letter from Luke Kennedy of the Educational Funding Agency with this newsletter.

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Details of Create'n'Make and Multi-Skills Clubs were emailed out yesterday. Copies of the registration forms are also available from the office. We will let you know of more clubs as soon as we have full details.

DATES TO NOTE

Fri 19 th Dec	1.30pm	School closes for the Christmas holidays
Tuesday 6 th Jan 2015 to Friday 13 th February	8.45am 3.30pm	Term 3

SPOTLIGHT

This week our spotlight falls on Rhys Green, Joe Mackereth, Roshni Taylor, Eva McCarthy and Olivia Mann for **gymnastics**; Jonah Fallon, Aryan Padha, Darcey Jones and Ruby Miller for **swimming**, and Fletcher Bramley for visiting the **library** 36 times! Well done everyone.

PUPIL OF THE TERM AWARDS: Awards were handed to the following this morning: Alyssia Kenny and Samuel Crisford (Mrs Rizvi's Class); Ben Davies and Ruby Miller (Mr Crispin's Class); Zak Guntzenbach (Year 1). Congratulations to all of them.

And finally a special thank you to parents and carers whose support and kindness to the Heights Team has been so much appreciated this term. Thank you all for your gifts, cards and good wishes and may you have a happy and peaceful Christmas break.

Mrs Edwards
Headteacher