

# park life

## Buckingham Park Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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### The Light and Soul of the Party!

As we approach the last week of our school term, our attention will turn even more to Christmas parties and the fun we can have at this time of year.

Jesus Christ loves parties too. His first recorded miracle was changing water into wine at a wedding reception. At Christmas we celebrate Jesus' birthday - Jesus himself is the real reason for all our Christmas merry-making. He's the original light and soul of the party.

The Bible tells us that Jesus came to earth so that we could have a satisfying life and a future full of hope - long after the bottles have been emptied, the party food eaten and everyone's gone home. Now that really is a reason to celebrate.



On behalf of the whole school community, we wish you a very happy Christmas.

### This Friday – End of Term

Please remember that school closes at 1.30pm on Friday.

There will not be an afternoon Nursery session on that day.



### Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance – This Evening



Our performance, featuring all the children in Years 1 and 2, starts at 6.30pm. This performance is completely sold out so please do not come to watch unless you have a ticket.

All children in Years 1 and 2 should return to school at 6.00pm and go straight to class. The children will be ready to collect at 7.30pm.

## A visit from the Speaker of the House of Commons



Last Friday, John Bercow visited our School. John is our local MP, and is also the Speaker of the House of Commons.

John took part in our Worship Time, speaking to the children about his two roles, and encouraging the children to 'aim high'. Following our Worship Time, he toured the school visiting our Nursery and each class room to see the learning taking place. After visiting the school, John visited the Community Centre.

## Christmas Surprise Present Shop

Tomorrow, thanks to the PTA, the children will have the chance to visit our Christmas Surprise Present Shop.

This is the opportunity to buy a present for Mum, Dad or someone else, wrap it up, label it then bring it home as a surprise for Christmas Day. Presents (including wrap and label) are priced at £3.

To take part, please send £3 into school in a named envelope tomorrow.

### Christmas Surprise Present Shop

Tuesday 16th December

- Buy a £3 present for Mum, Dad or someone else
- Wrap it up
- Label it
- Bring it home

To take part, bring £3 in a named envelope to school on Tuesday



## Christmas Events in our Community



This Friday, Father Christmas will be visiting Buckingham Park. You may be able to catch him on his journey to the Community Centre, and then you'll have the chance to say 'hello' at 7pm in Jubilee Square.

There will be some festive refreshments and community carol singing.

This will be a lovely family event – please do support it if you can.



Revd Mark and the team at St James, Bierton and All Saints, Hulcott, offer an open invite to all Buckingham Park families to various Christmas Services throughout December.

The services are all listed on the 'News Blog' page of our school website.



The Exchange Church, which meets each week in our school hall, invites you to a Christmas Party to celebrate Jesus' Birthday.

The party is on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 10.30am.