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Buckingham Park Church of England School Newsletter

2012 – What a Year!

This has been an extraordinary year. For those of us who are sports fans, the memory of the London Olympic and Paralympic Games will remain with us for a lifetime. The games will be remembered for amazing sporting achievement, for those who triumphed over adversity, and for those who made the games happen.



Everyone played their part – whether a supreme athlete, a trainer, an administrator, or a volunteer. Everyone worked together with one aim; to enable the athletes to perform to their very best.

2012 will also be remembered, of course, as the year that Buckingham Park Church of England Primary School opened. We, too, have an amazing team of staff, partners, governors, families and volunteers who have worked together with one aim – to enable the children to do their best, and be their best; to be safe, happy and successful. Thank you for the part that you have played. We can all be proud of our first term in our new school. We are looking forward to many more.

Best wishes and Happy Christmas!

Nick Waldron

Christmas Lunch

We are delighted to inform you that the Christmas lunch for the children will be going ahead as planned this Wednesday, 19th of December. We are very grateful to the Cottesloe School in Wing who have kindly offered to provide our catering for the day.



The menu is very similar to the previous one, and will be as follows:

Roast turkey with Gravy
Stuffing with Sausage wrapped in Bacon
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Red Onion and Three Cheese Tart (Vegetarian Option)
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Roast Potatoes
Carrots and Parsnips
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Black Forest Gateaux

If you have not pre-ordered a Christmas lunch for your child, please can you send in a packed lunch as usual.

Our Visits Last Week

A small group of Reception children went to Waddesdon Manor on Thursday to take part in a recording for ITV's Daybreak programme. Our children sang one of our Christmas songs. We are expecting the children to be featured as part of Thursday's 'Daybreak' show on ITV – so make sure that you set therecorder!

The logo for the Daybreak programme, featuring the word "Daybreak" in white text on a purple rectangular background.

We were delighted to be able to visit St James Church last week. Revd Mark talked to us about how Christmas is celebrated at St James, and we also had a good look around the church building.

St James is our linked church and we will be making further visits next year.

Other News

We'll be serving mulled wine (with a non-alcoholic alternative) at our **Christmas Plays**. There will be a small charge to cover the costs. We hope that you will enjoy the time you spend with us.

The logo for the News section, featuring the word "News" in white text on a red rectangular background.

We hope to see everyone at '**Glow! Carols by Glowstick**' on Wednesday. This is a community event for Buckingham Park which is taking place in Jubilee Square from 6pm. Please invite your friends, family and neighbours to this Christmas celebration of carols and readings – it's for everyone. This is a free event, and everyone will get a free glow stick – plus mulled wine for the grown-ups and sweets for the children!

Our **Party Afternoon** will be held on Thursday 20th December. Children will partake in a range of party games and activities through the afternoon. Children may wear their own choice of clothes on Thursday (trainers are ideal footwear and no jewellery please!)

A reminder: We close for the Christmas holiday at 1.30pm on Friday 21st December.

The **new term** starts on Wednesday 9th January at the usual time.

It's Christmas!

We are all be very busy at this time of year as we practice school plays, prepare meals, buy presents and send cards. In amongst all the logistics, it can be easy to lose sight of why we celebrate Christmas in the first place.

It's an amazing story. A small baby, born in a stable, to a carpenter and his wife; a small baby who would turn the world upside down.

On behalf of the staff and governors, I want to wish all our families a very happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

Happy Christmas

From Everyone at Buckingham Park School

