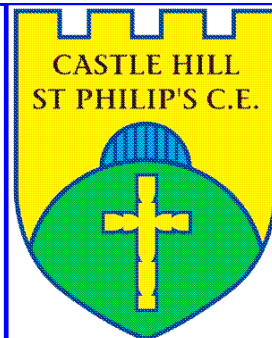


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December 2018 Newsletter



CONSULTATION DAYS

Thank you to all parents/carers who attended our recent consultation days. Our next consultation days will be in March when children's books will be available for parents to see. Please note: children are welcome to attend these meetings along with parents.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Following feedback from parents and children we have changed our attendance award system.

From this term children who achieve an attendance level of 96% or above each term will receive a reward on the last day of term. We know that some children have periods or odd days when they cannot attend school but hope the new threshold of 96% will reward children who have only had an occasional period of absence.

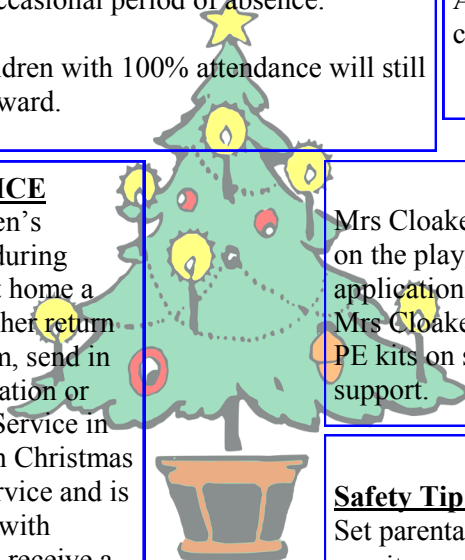
At the end of the school year children with 100% attendance will still receive their 100% attendance reward.

RECEPTION CLASS—SEPTEMBER 2019

If you have or know a child born in the year September 2014 to August 2015, needing a school place from September 2019, you need to fill in the Wigan Council Admissions to Primary Schools 2019–2020 form or apply online at www.wigan.gov.uk and follow the links for Education—Primary School Admissions. Please make sure you apply by the closing date of **15th January 2019**.

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Each year we support the Children's Society by saving small change during December. If your child brought home a Christingle money box please either return it to school before the end of term, send in an envelope containing your donation or bring it along to the Christingle Service in All Saints Church at 3.00 p.m. on Christmas Eve. This is always a magical service and is particularly suitable for families with children of all ages. All children receive a Christingle orange during the service.



LINK LODGE SUPPORT

Mrs Cloake, Pastoral Manager, is available most mornings on the playground and can provide support to parents with applications for free school meals or other pastoral issues. Mrs Cloake also has a large selection of used uniform and PE kits on sale in the Link Lodge—please speak to her for support.

ONLINE SAFETY ADVICE

Safety Tip 4

Set parental controls on devices to filter, restrict and monitor content. Ensure the device has good anti-virus software. Internet service providers provide controls to help filter and restrict content. Laptops, phones, tablets, games consoles and other devices that connect to the internet have settings to activate parental controls. All children's passwords should be shared with their parents.

NEWS FROM THE KITCHEN

Christmas Dinner will be on 13th December. Please order on Live Kitchen as normal. Children can wear a Christmas jumper or t-shirt with their school uniform.

On behalf of all staff and governors at Castle Hill St Philip's we wish all our families a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.



DIARY DATES

Thursday 6th December	2.40 pm	Year 4 Wider Opportunities Concert
Thursday 6th December		Y1/Y2 Pantomime—Bolton
Friday 7th December	9.00 am	PTFA Clothing Bag Collection
Wednesday 12th December	2.00 pm and 6.30 pm	KS1 Nativity
Thursday 13th December		Christmas Dinner Day Children are invited to wear Christmas Jumpers/t-shirts.
Thursday 13th December	KS1 3.20—4.30 pm KS2 4.45—6.00 pm	Discos—please note a change to our previous times. Entrance—£1.50
Friday 14th December		Y6 Quarry Bank Mill
Monday 17th December		KS1 Afternoon Fun with Santa
Tuesday 18th December		KS2 Cinema Afternoon
Wednesday 19th December		KS1 Party Day—non-uniform
Thursday 20th December		KS2 Party Day—non-uniform
Friday 21st December		Break up for Christmas Holiday
Monday 24th December	3.00 pm	Christingle Service in Church All Welcome
Tuesday 8th January	8.55 am	School re-opens
Wednesday 16th January	2.45 pm	YR Class Assembly
Wednesday 30th January	2.45pm	Y2 Class Assembly

Well done **Year 3** for topping the leader board for November 2018.
Well done **Reception** for topping the leader board for the whole year so far.



ATTENDANCE

CLASS	NOVEMBER %	SEPT—NOV %	LATES NOV
Reception	95.07	97.4	12
Year 1	93.51	95.1	33
Year 2	93.45	94.3	31
Year 3	96.9	95	21
Year 4	96.06	96.1	16
Year 5	96.08	96.1	50
Year 6	95.95	94	43
TOTAL	95.3	95.4	206

Too many children arrived late for school last month. Please ensure your child arrives on time ready to start learning.

