

Christmas Concerts and Party dates

	Christmas concert	Christmas party
Pandas Class Nursery	Wednesday 17th December 9.15am School hall	Thursday 18th December - morning
Giraffes Class Reception	Tuesday 16th December 9.15am School hall	Wednesday 17th December
Lions Class and Elephants Class Key Stage 1	To be confirmed	Friday 19th December

Children may come in their party outfit for their Christmas party – but please remember they will be going outside to play as normal, so need something warm enough to be outside and that is okay if it gets marks on it.

School Photographs

The School Photography Company will be in school on the morning of Monday 20th October. During the morning they will take individual photographs of all children in school. You only need to let the office know if you do not want your child to have their photo taken.

Celebrating children's achievements at home

We know that many children go to clubs or groups outside school, and sometimes achieve awards or certificates. We would love to see the children's certificates when they achieve them to celebrate in class. If your child achieves a certificate from a club or group they attend outside of school, please bring them in for the class teacher to see.

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Overview of classes

Most of you will know that we have changed the class names from September. Here is an overview so you know which class is which:

Lions Class, Mrs Craggs – Key Stage 1 class

Elephants Class, Miss Dunks – Key Stage 1 class

Giraffes Class, Miss Lloyd and Miss Clark – Reception class

Pandas Class, Mrs Maw – Nursery

Staveley Junior School breakfast club

Staveley Junior School run a breakfast club from 7.45am to 8.45am and children from Reception to Year 2 are able to attend. Parents drop off their child at the junior school and then staff from our school fetch the children at 8.45am. It costs £2.50 per day paid to the juniors. If you would like any more information please contact the juniors on 01246 472325.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We have filled one vacancy for a Parent Governor on our school governing body and still have one more vacancy. If you are interested or would like to find out a bit more, please contact Mrs Waldron in the school office.

Library Visits

This term we are going to start visiting Staveley library again. This is a great opportunity for children to explore a wide range of books and choose a book to bring back to school. To be able to go to the library, we need parent / carer helpers to walk down and back with us. It is great if you can join your own child's class to walk down to the library, you are also welcome to join and help out with other classes. If you can help us with any of the trips to the library, please let the school office or your child's class teacher know.

These are the dates for class trips to the library. They are all on Friday mornings, 9.00am – 11.00am approximately:

Lions: 7th November, 16th January, 27th February, 17th April and 5th June.

Elephants: 10th October, 21st November, 23rd January, 6th March, 24th April and 12th June.

Giraffes : 30th January, 13th March, 1st May and 19th June.

Pandas : 20th March, 8th May and 26th June.

Please note all nursery children in Pandas need an adult with them for the trip to the library.

Children will need their library card in school for the trip to the library. If your child is not already a member of the library, visit [Join the Library - Derbyshire](#) to join.

There are no charges for late book returns for children, so please don't worry about any costs.

Dates for your diary – after half term

Monday 10th November – Odd socks day as part of anti-bullying week. Children can come to school wearing odd socks

Friday 14th November – Children in Need day. Nursery and Reception children can come dressed up in spots or yellow. Key Stage 1 children will be visiting the Mayor's Parlour in Chesterfield in the morning, so should come dressed in school uniform. They can bring their Children in Need dress up in a bag to change into at lunch time after the visit to the Mayor's Parlour.

Thursday 20th November - 8.45 – 9.15 – Family maths morning. We would like to welcome parents and carers to join children in their classrooms for some fun maths activities.

Friday 28th November - 8.45 – 9.30 – Family Christmas crafts. Parents and carers are invited to join children in their classrooms to enjoy a range of Christmas craft activities.

Wednesday 3rd December – Christmas Fair. Parents and carers can collect children from their classroom doors from 2.45pm and come round to the school hall to join in with all the fun.

Friday 12th December – Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch. Children can come to school in a Christmas jumper.

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