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NEWSLETTER 7



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Dear Parents/Carers

**FIRSTLY A BIG THANK YOU**

This time of year is always a busy one in school and your children have worked and performed very hard, both at school and in the community, making our staff very proud. During assemblies, in church, in the community, and even outside, they have been fantastic, so well done to all of them. To all the families who have come along to support activities so enthusiastically, thank you too!

**CHRISTINGLE COLLECTIONS**

As a school community we are very proud of the generosity and spirit of our children and families who have raised money for a wide variety of good causes this term, the most recent being an amazing £382.30 collected at our two Christingle services. This will be donated to the Children's Hospice and to the St. Thomas Methodist Church. Thank you for your support.

**FRIENDS OF BOWHILL - CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

A huge thank you to everyone who donated gifts for the Christmas Hampers and supported the draw! The total raised was £448. The School Governors and Friends of Bowhill would like to thank everyone who donated gifts. As always your support and generosity is very much appreciated.

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES**

If you find yourselves with a few minutes to spare (!) why not have a go at our Christmas Maths Quiz with your children - no prizes but quality time together! The quiz is available on our school website. Answers will be provided after Christmas. Have fun!

**MENU FOR SPRING TERM**

The menu will be accompanying this newsletter. It will also be available on the school website. The cost of a school meal remains £2.20.

**SCHOOL TERM DATES - JANUARY 2015 TO JULY 2015**

Below are the term dates for the remainder of this academic year.

<b><u>SPRING TERM</u></b>	<b><u>Term starts</u></b>	<b><u>Tuesday 6 January 2015</u></b>
	Half term	Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February 2015 inclusive
	Term ends	Friday 27 March 2015
 <b><u>SUMMER TERM</u></b>	Term starts	Tuesday 14 April 2015
	May Day Holiday	Monday 4 May 2015
	Half Term	Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May 2015
	Term ends	Thursday 23 July 2015



## FUSION DANCE LESSONS

Please note that Fusion Dance Lessons will start from the first week back - Wednesday 7 January for Years 3 to 6 and Thursday 8 January for Years 1 and 2.

## MUSIC TUITION

Please note that music tuition lessons will start as follows:

Mr Nuthall (Music Tuition) - Thursday 8 January

Mr Felton (Drums) - Friday 9 January

Mrs Rufolo (Keyboards) - Tuesday 13 January

Can pupils remember to bring their instruments in on the first week please!

## PREMIER SPORT

For the Spring Term Premier Sport will again be running an After School Gymnastics club at Bowhill on Mondays, 3.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. for children in Reception and Years 1 and 2. These will start on Monday 12 January and run for 10 sessions until Monday 23 March. The cost will be £40 and you can book online by going to their website at [premiersport.org](http://premiersport.org).

**AND FINALLY** the staff and Governors wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you again on **Tuesday 6 January 2015**.

Miss Caren Brooks and all the Staff and Governors at Bowhill

## **Governors Corner**

During a recent visit to Bowhill I was again impressed with the behaviour of our children as they politely waited for the much anticipated visit of Clive Pig. I also enjoyed the lovely art work, posters and written work on display that is a great testimony to all their hard work and that of their teachers. Conversations with them in the canteen revealed favourite subjects as diverse as science, maths, sport and art on one table. Favourite foods was another topic of conversation with a variety of creative ways of eating fruit and vegetables being suggested.

As governors we will be raising our profile over the coming year. We hope to be present at more school events so you know who we are and what our roles are, and from time to time, will contribute to the newsletters.

Thank you once again for your ongoing commitment to Bowhill and we wish you and yours a relaxed and happy Christmas.

Karen Cronin, Foundation Governor

