

Forward March!

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*With God's help
we will
live kindly,
love each other,
learn and
laugh together!*



Dear Parents,

This is the final newsletter of the Autumn Term 2018 and WOW it seems to have gone so quick! Only 3 ½ months ago our lovely reception children joined us at The March and now it feels as if they have been here forever. We have come to the end of a long term and the whole school community is looking forward to a well-earned rest. The prospect of Christmas cheers us and lifts our spirits away from the cold and dark weather of the season.

The Autumn Term is always a busy one. Our new prefects have worked extremely well and they have grown in self-confidence and leadership skills as the term has progressed. Our Open day was a huge success with 43 families attending and we have shown around at least another 30 more on individual tours this term alone. The prefects were fantastic ambassadors during this time and we have received some lovely feedback from visitors. Well done all Prefects !

We cannot do all the things we do without you so please accept a very **big thank you** for all you do, in helping us to give the children so many different opportunities, both during the school day and outside school too, for example; in sporting occasions, school trips, costumes for



productions and many, many more events and occasions. As I've said before, we can do so much more together as **Team March!**

I am sure that you would like to join with me in thanking all of the Staff and Governors at The March CE Primary School for their continued hard work and commitment to the pupils of the school during the year.



The EYFS and KS1 Nativity performance of Baubles was wonderful this year!! Parents, children and staff all thoroughly enjoyed watching this. The singing, acting and dancing were amazing with the children looking great in all their costumes. The chickens were superb and certainly created a lot of amusement in the nativity. It really helped to deliver the true meaning of Christmas and we are very proud of all the children that took part. DVD's are on sale in the Office priced at £4.00 to buy as presents for relatives or a memoir for yourself.





Christingle

I particularly love the Christingle Service every year with the children singing, the smell of the christingle oranges and time to reflect on how lucky we are as a community together. It is always lovely to have our service at St Peters and with all the candles alight this was a truly special occasion. Christingle celebrations are named after the Christingles that are lit during the service. Christingles are made from an orange decorated with red tape, sweets and a candle. This year is the 50th Year of Christingle services.





CHRISTMAS FAYRE

A huge thankyou to everyone who donated, helped at and came to the Christmas fair this year. It was one of the best I think we have ever had with so many wonderful things to see and do!

Father Christmas made a special visit to share his lovely stories and the choir were superb, we can't wait to hear them again! The food choices kept everyone fed and happy all night with tasty treats from the BBQ boys, scrumptious cakes and warm mulled wine to chat over with friends and delicious mac and cheese or pancakes to tempt you all.

Alongside that we had many craft stalls for children to take part in , make or buy for their families, a raffle of wondrous prizes, face painting, Mrs Pitts famous knitted goods and reindeer food for Christmas Eve night

A big thank you to The March School Community for making this event so special. **We raised £2350, the best ever !!!!**





The school Secret Shhhhhhhh!!!

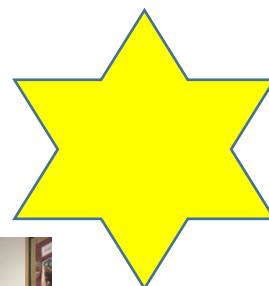
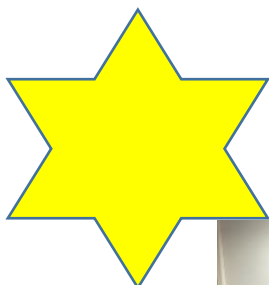
The school Special secret event happened this Tuesday afternoon. Something that all the children really enjoyed and took part with great excitement. The Panto of Aladdin came to school!! A wonderful surprise for all the children and this certainly ended their term with many happy faces as the story began! The magical, mystical world of Old Peking came to the school brought to life by the West End actors.

Reckless ragamuffin Aladdin had an adventurous streak which kept getting him into trouble. He defied the law and looked upon the face of Princess Jasmine – and all at once he was wanted by the police and head-over-heels in love. What a show!!

Thank you to the Family event team for their donation to help fund this. It was much appreciated by all the school community.



Wonderful Bronze Badge Winners



Important dates for your diary 2019.

Return to school

3rd Jan 2019

INSET DAY

15th Feb

HALF TERM

18th-22ND Feb

Parents meetings

5th & 7th March

INSET DAY

5th March

Easter Holidays

8th – 22nd April

School returns for Summer Term

23rd April

Finally ...

Thanks for taking the time to read this month's newsletter. If you would like to discuss any items from the newsletter in more detail, please do not hesitate to come and see me, my door is always 'Open'.

Mrs Nicky Metcalfe

Head Teacher