



New Close News

Friday 16th December, 2016

Head Teacher - Miss Jane Brown
Deputy Head - Mrs Sharon White



Christmas Bazaar

This took place on Friday 9th December and was absolutely amazing! It was wonderful to see so many of you at the Bazaar and having such a good time. The stalls were very popular and offered a good array of products and gifts.

Mrs Walker's dance club entertained us with a super dance routine. It could be described as A-maz-ing!! The choir performed several of their favourite songs and it was lovely to see people tapping their feet to the music. We were visited by a very special visitor who took a break from his work at the North Pole—thank you very much Santa!

The total raised is £798.39 – truly wonderful!! As always the money will be spent on the children so on their behalf I would like to thank you for your support, your generosity makes such a difference.

Goodbye Mrs Buck

It was with sadness that we said 'Goodbye' to Mrs Buck this week.



She has been a teacher at New Close for several years and following the birth of her daughter, has decided to teach closer to her home.

We will all miss Mrs Buck but we understand her reason for going and wish her and her family all the very best for the future.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

The New Close team of staff and governors would like to wish all of our families a joyous Christmas and a peaceful New Year!

The Choir—2nd Performance!



On Saturday 10th December, our school choir sang in the Mall in Warminster. It was as part of an event organised by 'Churches together in Warminster and District'. The children's singing was absolutely beautiful and they received many lovely comments from their audience. Thank you very much to the parents who were able to give up some of their Saturday to accompany the children—we wouldn't be able to do this sort of thing without your support.



Performances

This week was the week when all of the children took part in a performance to their parents. Key Stage 1 performed 'Whoops-a-daisy Angel' and Key Stage 2 performed 'Hansel and Gretel'.

The standard was very good, it never ceases to amaze me at how well the children sing and act in front of an audience. This year in particular, some of the actors had a lot of lines to say and it was clear that they had worked extremely hard to become word perfect. I think we may have one or two budding future stars!

I would like to say a big 'Thank you' to all of the teachers and TA's who led the rehearsals, painted and made scenery and props and practised songs—all done with a smile. Well done team, you came up trumps!!

Playground Furniture

It was with great excitement that the children poured onto the playground on Thursday—the new furniture had arrived.



There is a shelter for them to sit in and two tables with activities built in. We also have two large chalk boards to be put onto the walls so that the children can draw on them.

The funding for this has all come from monies raised by various means including uniform, book and cake sales, so thank you.

We want to buy more for the playground and also a sound system that can be used by the children when they are performing or speaking during assemblies.

Christmas Lunch



On Thursday the children had a fabulous Christmas Lunch which was cooked by Warminster School. This meal is always well received and the children have crackers, satsumas and mince pies to enjoy as well. The staff wear silly hats and headgear and serve the children to make it even more special for them.

Disco

Thursday evening saw the Key Stage 2 disco taking place. As usual it was a very noisy and energetic affair! The children clearly had a very good time judging by their smiles and cheering. The staff and I were very impressed with the dance moves that we saw, although I think it's safe to say that they were a little beyond my ability!



Waitrose Robin Trail

Reception Class went to the Waitrose store in Warminster to follow the Robin Trail. This ties in with their TV advertising campaign based on the Michael Morpurgo story. The children managed to locate all of the robins in the store and were also each given a wonderful activity pack. Thank you very much Waitrose and our staff for giving the children a super experience.

Clubs

Clubs will begin again during the second full week back with a letter about the clubs on offer being sent home during the first week.

TD Day

Please remember that the children return to school on Wednesday 4th January as the staff have a training day on the Tuesday of that week.

RECYCLE YOUR OLD CHRISTMAS CARDS!



We are supporting Center Parcs' campaign to recycle old Christmas cards. A recycling bin which will be in Reception in January.

