



NEWSLETTER 183

Friday 1st December 2016

Club 183 was a Taiwanese boyband. The average height of the five original members was 183 cm.

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Dear Parents and Friends,

Bishop Rachel Next Friday Bishop Rachel will be visiting our school, and work with some of the children in the afternoon. She will then join us for afternoon worship, when the Open The Book team will bring a Bible Story to life, supported by the children of Class 1. Amongst the regular items I'm also hopeful that Classes 1 and 2 will reprise a song from their Nativity, this year entitled "Shine, Star, Shine". You are very welcome to join us and we will aim for a start time of 2:40, prompt.

IMPORTANT - A change in absence policy

With immediate effect we will be requiring daily notification of absence due to illness or other unexpected absence. You can inform the school by phone message, email or 'sent' note. This measure is taken to tighten up a 'grey' area when previously we had to make assumptions about children's whereabouts on days following an illness. You can imagine the repercussions if a child went missing, and school had just assumed they were still ill! 6 hours would have passed before anyone knew something was wrong. Please be assured that we will phone parents if we don't receive daily notification. So, though it may be an inconvenience once in a while, I am convinced that we should adopt this better way of working to keep all children safe.



Christmas Panto – A GIFT FROM FONNS

A HUGE pantomime style "Thank you!" goes to all our parents and fundraisers, for the Christmas gift of yesterday's pantomime. The script was witty and child-centred, with a few ad-libs and asides thrown in for the adults in the room. Our youngest audience members were very brave, the villain fairly 'arch' and the dame was a real scream. I am sure you will be relieved to know that Dick Whittington was vindicated at the end, got the girl and was promoted to Lord Mayor of London, proving that honesty and hard work really does pay. I hope to get a short video on our website this weekend.

Class 3 had the following comments;

Alex "I thought it was quite funny, especially when the ghost was chasing them!"

Erin "I enjoyed it when we all boo-ed Captain Blood off the stage, even though he asked us not to."

Emily R. "We had to help Jack count because he was a bit silly."

Fred H "It was really funny. Elvis was my favourite character because I thought he was a cool cat and it was funny when he was dancing the last son!"

Do It Yourself! We continue to press ahead with the on-going work of tidying the school. The girls and boys of Class 4 put together the flat-packed storage units (pictured) in order to better organise the resources outside Classroom 2.

OUR lost property!

Might you have some of these school items at home? Pairs of pants, ice packs and a large plastic sick bucket? These items have been sent home and not been returned.

Christmas Post Box

The post box will be in operation next week and Class 4 'elves' will be delivering the contents soon after. ALL cards must go through the post box, since this eases several difficulties that can occur in the playground and classes.

FONNS FAYRE – IMPORTANT REQUEST

The school toilets have troublesome drains and the volume of people in the school at the Christmas Fayre could put a strain on our system! A call-out costs us £135 a time. If at all possible could families make 'preparations' at home to try and avoid using the facilities at school!





It's All Greek To Me! Class 4 held their 'Showcase' assembly last week, and visitors were treated to an explanation of all things Spartan, Athenian and Persian. Well done to you all – clear, imaginative and often highly amusing!



Class 1 and 2 Nativity – Shine, Star, Shine

We have made the following arrangements for sharing this seasonal treat with the community.

- **FRIDAY 2nd** December – Start time 9:30 a.m. This is the dress rehearsal and suitable for the children from Pre-School and Nursery settings, for those with younger children and babies, and for those who are unable to make any of the subsequent performances if exceptional circumstances apply. We also share this with the children in our school. Knowing this, there should be no need to bring 'North Nibley' children to the Tuesday evening performance.
- **MONDAY 5th** - Start time 2:00 p.m. (visitors please arrive at 1:45 p.m.) This is for adults and any children, including younger children, who have not yet seen the Nativity.
- **TUESDAY 6th** – Start time 6:00p.m. (Actors need to be here at 5:15 p.m.) This performance is for adults only and children 7 years of age or older **IF THEY HAVE NOT ALREADY SEEN IT**. It is our expectation that all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children attend and perform. This has been highly successful in the past.

SCHOOL CAROL CONCERT

- **Monday 12th** December – 6:00 this year. (The result of our 'consultation' at last year's service). Don't get there before 5:30!
- It is our expectation that every child from Year 3 upwards will attend, in school uniform, though children may like to add something 'festive' to what they are wearing.
- Families are encouraged to bring children from Reception age upwards. Should you wish to bring them, school-aged children will be expected to sit with their classes, leaving you free to enjoy the event.
- Parents with pre-school children are asked to be especially sensitive to potential disturbances. Bringing some colouring books, and sitting at the back could be really helpful!



Best wishes go to our Cross-Country Team for Saturday's 3rd race in the season. Many of them are pictured here on a crisp December morning.

Health and Safety Policy We have recently updated this and would like to draw parent's attention to the need to ensure that any asthma inhalers held at school should be in date. It is a parent's responsibility to know when these might need replacing.

Diary Dates Our online diary can be found at http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/?page_id=267

Monday 5 th	Classes 1 & 2 nativity Performance 2 o'clock		
Monday 5 th	Class 4 singing at the village hall 'Monday Lunch'		
Tuesday 6 th	Year 7 – our old Year 6 – join us for mince pies and a catch up. Classes 1 & 2 nativity Evening Performance at 6 o'clock. Girls' Football – County Finals at Oxstalls, 4:00 to 6:00		
Weds 7th	Boys' Football – County Finals at Oxstalls, 4:00 to 6:00		
Friday 9 th	We will be very pleased to welcome Bishop Rachel to our Friday assembly. 2:40 prompt please.		
Monday 12 th	Our Christmas Carol Service in St Martin's Church, 6:00 start, prompt!		
Weds 14th	Athletics at Wycliffe		
Thursday 15th	Cooked Christmas Lunch – details to follow		
Friday 16th	Parties & Party Food (one day only this year, details to follow). Collective Worship as normal, incl. 'Month-end' items.		
THIS AUTUMN – Pupil days	NEXT SPRING – Pupil days	NEXT SUMMER – Pupil days	AUTUMN 2017 – Pupil days
Term 1 05/09/2016 – 19/10/2016	Term 3 03/01/2017 – 10/02/2017	Term 5 24/04/17 - 26/05/17	Term 1 05/09/2017 – 20/10/2017
Term 2 31/10/2016 – 16/12/2016	Term 4 20/02/2017 – 07/04/2017	Term 6 05/06/17 - 19/07/17	Term 2 31/10/2017 – 15/12/2017

Star OF WONDER



NAME

Christmas Carol Service, 2016

St. Martin's Church, North Nibley ,
Monday 12th December, 6.00 pm.
All are welcome!

HOMEWORK -
Design a simple,
'OUTLINE' drawing above,
one which will photocopy clearly for
the Order of Service masters. This is the
nativity story, so avoid Santa, snowmen, etc.



G.I.K.K.R.

KARATE



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- Develop Self Discipline
- Increase Focus & Concentration
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- Generate Positive Self Esteem & Confidence

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I, _____ (parent/guardian) give consent for the above named to participate in GKR Karate classes.

BEGINNERS GROUP STARTING IN DURSLEY!!!

Address: _____

Town: _____

City: _____ Postcode: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signed: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

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