



PARENTS NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year to you all. Thank you so much for the cards, gifts and good wishes I received. I had a very quiet break with my family. I hope you did too.

Dates for diaries this half term are:

28/29 January	Integrated Arts Project KS3
10 February	Cooking Club
10 February	Primary Open Afternoon
11 February	Secondary Parents Afternoon
12 February	Break up for half term

Panto news!

The panto was a great experience again and I know those pupils who had an alternative activity at school also enjoyed their special day. We are now very much back into our usual pattern of lessons which I think pupils as well as staff were ready for.

Website

The school term dates for next academic year: September 2016 to July 2017 should be on our website next week.

Gold Duke of Edinburgh award ceremony

I was absolutely delighted last weekend to be invited to an award ceremony hosted by the Lord Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire and to watch 3 of our past students receive their certificate from him. Next month all 4 of our gold award winners will be off to Buckingham Palace! This really is an extraordinary achievement and I am very proud of each of them. I know they read this newsletter on our website so well done to you all ☺

Sport Works

Weekly Sports fun in 2016 for children with a disability or additional needs

Playing and being involved in sport builds confidence, develops social skills and leads to a healthy lifestyle. Sport Works deliver a range of sport-based services to children and young people with a disability or additional needs through the Cambridgeshire County Council Activity Project Framework. The activities provide a platform for children to try different sports and develop their skills on a weekly basis. You can hear how other parents/carers feel Sport Works has helped their children by watching the video at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jc1m3cjaRYc>

Sport Works currently have two weekly sessions operating in Cambridgeshire during term time, which are:

Saturday afternoon 1pm-4pm at Meadows Community Centre, Cambridge
Tuesday after school 3pm-5pm at Meadowgate School, Wisbech.

To access these weekly activities you will need to be eligible and receiving a self-directed personalised budget for your child/young person. For more information please contact your allocated Social Worker or Early Help Co-ordinator.

If your child/young person does not receive services from one of the Disability Teams then please call Helen Phillips, Team Manager, Disabled Children's Early Help Team on 01480 379813 who can advise on how to access this service.

To find out more about our activities and to be kept informed about Sport Works activities planned in your area, contact Darren or Sally on 01638 596522

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