



PARENTS NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2016

Welcome to Tristan

Tristan is currently visiting Granta and will join primary at the end of January. Welcome to Granta Tristan, we are all looking forward to getting to know you.

Boccia success

We entered 3 teams for this year's tournament, 2 in the pan disability league and one in the physical league.

Many of our experienced players have moved onto college so we had a very young and inexperienced squad, a group of youngsters who are really keen to learn and who are just beginning to understand the rules of competition.

Everyone had a great day; it was very busy with lots of teams and lots of opportunities to play.

Our two new teams both came third in their respective leagues narrowly losing out to Gretton and Hinchbrook.

However our physical team fought to the bitter end to gain second place and a place in the regionals narrowly losing to Hinchbrook in their final game.

The regionals will take place in February so watch this space. Well done everyone.

Site traffic restrictions

The Linton site we share with Linton Village College is closed to moving traffic for a short time each afternoon: 3.00 to 3.15. This is to keep all the children who come to school here safe and as a school we fully support LVC staff managing this requirement. There is also a 10 mile per hour speed restriction at all times. Sadly I have received a report that not all members of our community have respected these reasonable safety conditions and I appeal to everyone who comes to site to be patient, careful and polite drivers.

Use of FOGS funds

You will know that the Friends of Granta raise money and provide fun community events to give our children extra treats, resources and events. It's amazing what has been achieved over the last 10 years. They would welcome new members onto their committee. It has been traditional for FOGS to pay for transport to the panto each year (it costs about £2000 for accessible coaches), to match the generosity of the Arts Theatre in providing free tickets. This year however, Friends have funded our school birthday event and so there will be no whole school panto trip this coming January. We hope to be back at the panto as a school in January 2018.

Thank you ...

for your support for the KS4 Christmas shop and for the raffle prize donations following our Christmas performances.

Year 11/ Year 13 / Year 14 students

If you have received a form from the local authority asking you to indicate your choice of school or college for next September, please don't forget to do so. If you require any help please call Ann on 01223 896890. If you aren't quite sure yet, please list the options you are still considering.

Sherborne dates

Following Olga's fun and successful initial session, she is offering further Sherborne family events on the following dates:

14 Jan/25 Feb/11 Mar/29 Apr/13 May/10 Jun/8 Jul

To learn more please put a note in your child's diary for Olga Bak, teacher and Sherborne leader, Panda class. Booking slips will be sent out nearer the time

Work experience at Haverhill Food Bank

During the past twelve months several of the 6th form students have participated in periods of work experience at the food bank in Haverhill. For all of them it has proved an enjoyable experience and has provided many opportunities to develop their range of skills. As many of you know, three of our students have organised a collection of food themselves and would like to thank everyone who sent in donations. Your generosity has been overwhelming. We have so far collected the equivalent of five good sized family boxes, with a few Christmas treats.

Finally ...

a reminder that the last day for pupils this term is Tuesday 20 December and pupils come back to school on Thursday 5 January.

I will leave you with a picture of the wonderful grotto staff made for Santa (thank you FOGS for the gifts)



Best wishes
Lucie