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Monday 17th December 2018

Dear Parent/Carers,

It seems just a few weeks ago that we started the year and now we find ourselves at the end of the first term. It has been a busy term for staff and pupils alike. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our staff for their hard work and dedication to Ivingswood Academy. I would also like to thank our newly reformed PTA for their efforts this term which resulted in some fantastic events for our pupils.

Pantomime

Our trip to the pantomime on Thursday was a lot of fun for all of our pupils. A huge thank you to the parents and carers who volunteered to walk down and see the show with us. I would also like to thank those parents who waited patiently for their children to come out at the end of the show. Trying to ensure that 180 children are successfully reunited with the correct adult is never easy but it is vital that we put the safety of all our pupils above the needs of individuals. I would ask that all parents allow us to do this patiently and respectfully at any future events.

Weekly Attendance Winners

This week's attendance award was won by Year 2 who achieved a superb 98.3% attendance last week – well done Year 2! Our runners up this week were Year 6 – I think these 2 classes have alternated winning almost every week this half term!

Nativity Plays

Last week saw our Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity plays which were delightful. Well done to all the children involved and thank you to all the staff. Putting on performances with such young children is always tricky and our staff did a magnificent job this year.

Christmas Parties

All classes will be having a Christmas Party on Tuesday 18th December. Children may come to school in their party clothes on Tuesday. However, they should come to school in their school uniform on Wednesday 19th December.

Chesham Schools Carnival

Wednesday 19th December is the last day of term and we will finish school at 1.30pm. As mentioned above, children should come to school in their uniform on Wednesday.

Spring Term

The new term will start on Thursday 3rd January 2019 at 8.30am. There are already lots of exciting events planned – including the launch of our new breakfast club provision later on in January.

Key Dates

Tuesday 18th December – Christmas Parties Children may come to school in non-uniform ready for their parties.

Wednesday 19th December – Last day of term. School will close at 1.30pm for the end of term.

Thursday 3th January – School reopens for the Spring Term.

Finally, as I come to my first term as Headteacher at Ivingswood, I would like to thank you all for your support this term. It has been my absolute pleasure to work with the all the children at Ivingswood and I look forward to continuing our journey of improvement in 2019. I wish you all as safe and restful holiday and a happy and healthy 2019.

Yours sincerely,

Julie-Ann Swaysland

Headteacher