

THE DAWNAY NEWS Autumn 2018 Issue 6

A message from The Head

As we move swiftly through December, the Christmas celebrations are well underway with the Infant Nativity this week and the Junior Christingle performances next week. Thank you to all of those who are able to come along to support the children. I hear, on the grapevine, that we may receive a visit from a *very special guest* to the infant children if they continue to be as good as they have been this term!

The Christmas Fair was a roaring success with a phenomenal turnout. An extremely impressive £2,800 raised - a true reflection of all the hard work by The Friends in organizing.

Thank you to those that have improved their parking, however there are still some frustrations regarding the issue. Please continue to park considerately, ensuring you are not blocking driveways (for any length of time) ensure you are not using a space at the Doctors surgery, the library, or blocking other vehicles or road users. Please note that free parking permits to park at the Co-op car park are available from the office. Please note the parking restrictions on Griffin Way on Wednesday 12th December (see item on page 2)

Save the Date: Improving our Parent Workshop: Thursday 24th January.

The Dawnay School offer parents various curriculum workshops to provide valuable information about the curriculum at school. On **Thursday 24th January** we will be holding three forums at 9am, after school at 3:30pm and 7pm.

We are aiming to capture a range of parents feedback to improve our workshops on offer. Please try to come to one of these forums to give your feedback to help us plan our next steps.

Karate Workshop

The Dawnay were lucky enough to host the Surrey Karate Festival, run by Corin at Surrey Karate. 5 children from The Dawnay, along with children from several other local schools took part in a 1.5 hour karate taster session.

It was an extremely enjoyable workshop where some of the karate basics were taught in a friendly and welcoming environment to an extremely enthusiastic group of students!



UPCOMING EVENTS



TUE 4 & WED 5 DEC

1:45pm Infants Nativity

TUE 11 & WED 12 DEC

Junior Christingle Performance 7:00pm

WED 12 DEC

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Dinner Day

Y2 Trip to Fetcham

THURS 13 DEC

Cornerstones Exhibition

3:15 - 4:30pm

FRI 14 DEC

Juniors Christmas Disco

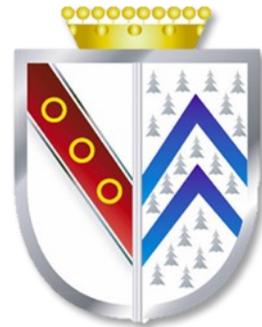
Party 4:30-6:00pm

WED 19 DEC

2pm Break up for end of term

THURS 24 JAN

Parent Workshops



Attendance & Timekeeping

89 children were celebrated in assembly for having 100% attendance over 50 days which is a fantastic achievement. We also celebrated the children who have only missed one session due to a medical appointment. Whilst we would rather that these appointments are made for outside school hours we do understand that some are unavoidable. We will continue to monitor the next 50 days and hope that with your support we will have more than 89 children celebrating 50 days of 100% attendance next term.

Last week, children were late **42** times after the registers closed; this is 13 more than the previous week. The Education Welfare Officer is monitoring the late arrivals. Children can enter the building at 8.45am and the registers are taken at 8.55am. It is vital that the whole class are ready to start the day together otherwise it is very disruptive when children arrive late.

Griffin Road No Parking: Wednesday 12th December

We have been informed by Surrey Highways that there will be some essential gully/drain cleaning on Griffin Way on Wednesday 12th December and the road is to be kept free of all parked cars. Please ensure you make alternative arrangements if you park on Griffin Road.

The road will remain open for access to the school for the duration.

Christmas Choir



Well done to the Junior Choir who opened the Christmas Fair with some very seasonal songs.

Well done to Holly and Daisy for their lovely duet.

The choir will be singing at the late night shopping evening this Thursday 6th December 7-7.30 pm in the Baptist Church, do come along to support them if you can.

Read all about it!

This term's eagerly anticipated issue of *The Dawney Catch-Up* school newspaper will be hot off the press and available to purchase for £1 on Monday 17th December, at morning break and after school.

Packed with fascinating features and inside stories about life at The Dawney, you won't want to miss it! Please support our talented team of budding journalists by buying a copy of the newspaper.

All proceeds will go to the school.



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Junior Parents: Christingle Tickets

If your child is in Juniors, please don't forget to order your Christingle tickets for the Christingle performance at St Nicolas church. Entry to the church will not be permitted without a pre-ordered ticket. Link to order tickets:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/event/281753>

Please also ensure you have paid for the Christingle via ParentPay.

The Dawney has PRIDE! We use the letters of the word PRIDE to share the moral purpose of the school with all children.

P – **Positive**
R – **Respect**
I – **Independence**
D – **Difference**
E – **Excellence**

Each month we also focus on a specific learning skill and draw attention to its use in lessons.

Decembers' learning skill is:

Questioning

