



# Ballaugh Primary School



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Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents,

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Our first week of this half-term has been an extra-busy one. As we are a small school the preparation for these events falls to a very small team. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for giving up their time and making each event something that the children will remember. Of course we couldn't do anything for the children without your support and their commitment. Thank you.

**Christmas Performances** – Keep the Date Free. – Our biennial Children's Christmas Concert, "Tin Hats and Telegrams" will be held on the afternoon and evening of Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December. More details about how to get your allocated tickets will be shared in due course.

**Hollantide** – The organisers would like to express their gratitude for your support and to thank those people that donated toys for their stall. I too would like to say thank you to Class 3 and 4 pupils for representing the school brilliantly and giving fantastic performances and their teachers for preparing them so well. Thanks also go to parents for getting children to the hall on such a stormy evening and for making a great effort with the costumes.

**Remembrance Sunday** – Thank you to everyone that represented the school by laying the wreath, singing at the front of the church or laying one of the 21 poppies that commemorated the fallen from Ballaugh. A special thanks to Mrs Bale for organising the children.

**Children in Need Ramble** – Well done to everyone, your support and generosity raised a fantastic £427.35!

**Ramsey Chamber of Commerce Bauble Competition**- Children have each received a bauble (plus an instruction leaflet), that they are invited to decorate and enter in to a competition for Children in Need.

**Quiet and calm sessions to visit Santa** – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> of November, Autism Initiatives are making private sessions to see Santa available from 10 am until 12 pm. Please refer to the previous Newsletter (26/10/18) for further details.

**A Message from Class R2** – Class R2 are raising money to buy food for the orphan and injured birds that are fed and raised by Manx Wild Bird Aid. If children would like to buy a colouring sheet for £1, they can bring it into class. There are 2 designs to choose from. We will present the money that has been raised at our assembly in December.

**School Photograph Re-sits** – These will be held on Saturday 24 November, 3.00pm - 5.00pm at ONCHAN ELIM CHURCH & FAMILY CENTRE. Directions if travelling by car. Travelling through Onchan, turn up just past the Commissioners building onto School Rd. Drive up to the top of the hill past the Scout Hall. As the road bears right alongside the school entrance turn left into Second Ave. Continue up, 50yds through the terraced housing. The Family Centre is a large white building, found on your right-hand side, set back from the road.

Web info for Re-sits: <https://stevewoodley.gotphoto.co.uk/page/resit>

## CLUBS

**School “mini” lunchtime clubs led by children.** (max group size = 5. All children must follow Mini-club rules written by the school council.)

<u>Club Name</u>	<u>Led by</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>
Lego	Jake & Thomas	Monday	12.40-1.00 pm
Board Game	Adam & Oliver	Tuesday	12.40-1.00 pm
Colouring-in	Bella & Darcey	Wednesday	12.40-1.00 pm
Comic Making	Freddie & Hayden	Thursday	12.40-1.00 pm
Kahoot eQuiz	Edward and Harry	Friday	12.40-1,00 pm

<b>Drama Club</b>	<b>Mrs Bale</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>3.30-4.30pm</b>	<b>Years 5&amp;6</b>
<b>Early Morning Sports</b>	<b>MSR</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>8.10-8.40am</b>	<b>Years 1&amp;2</b>

### DATES FOR DIARIES

Milntown garden team visiting school	Tuesday November 20 <sup>th</sup>
Class R2 walk and visit to Sartfield Nature Reserve	Tuesday November 27 <sup>th</sup> (packed lunch required)
Class R2 visit to wildlife park to see birds of the world	Tuesday December 4 <sup>th</sup> (packed lunch required)
Class R2 learning assembly; Birds and Trees	Wednesday December 12 <sup>th</sup> 9am-9.30am
Christmas Performances	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2pm and 6pm
School Christmas Dinner	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December
Children’s Christmas Party and Santa visit	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 1.30 pm – 3.30 pm
Last day in School	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December
Christmas Holiday	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> December-Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
First Day of SpringTerm	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019

Regards  
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