



LEARN TOGETHER

*'Let's learn to enjoy, achieve, respect and nurture together'*

20<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Dear Parents / Carers

We have had a very busy last couple of weeks in school with our Christmas concerts, the children were a true credit to themselves and to Barker's Lane, performing beautifully. We are incredibly proud of them. There are many photographs in the 'news' on the school website for you to see. Thank you for all of your support with the concerts and throughout the whole term. It is very much appreciated by all of the staff.

Once again we have raised a fantastic amount of money for charity this term. Donations of £853 from our concerts will be shared between Nightingale House Hospice, Hope House Hospice and the NSPCC. We will also be making a donation to St. John's church. We gave many bags full of food donations from our harvest table, £223 to the Royal British Legion from sales of poppy related items and forty five shoeboxes to T4C. Staff will also be adding to monies raised for Nightingale House in lieu of sending Christmas cards. Supporting local community facilities is close to our hearts here at Barker's Lane, with these contributions making a difference to many children and palliative care in our area.

The children have enjoyed Bitesize Theatre performing the pantomime 'Aladdin' in the school hall this morning which has been fully funded by the PTA. A lovely treat!

We will also be having our Christmas parties on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December. All of the children may come to school dressed in party clothes on this day. Please ensure that your child is wearing suitable footwear for school though, no flimsy or heeled party shoes / sandals please. Junior pupils may also bring their choice of toy to school in accordance with the rules they have been given in a letter on Monday.

Dates for next term will be published on the calendar of the school website and we will also send out emails when we come back to school in January. *If you are still not receiving emails, please contact Mr Hill in the school office. Information is also published on our website. Please download the free school app if you have not already done so.*

I would be grateful if you could share the following dates and information with families you may know who have a child who will be 3 on or before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018: Open afternoon for prospective Nursery 2019 pupils and parents on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 1.30-2.15pm. Parents will need to ring / email school to book in for one of the sessions. Nursery admission is an online process and is available on [www.wrexham.gov.uk](http://www.wrexham.gov.uk) from 02/01/19.

On behalf of the children, staff and governors, may I take this opportunity to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year - 'Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda'.

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Mrs Edwards

**Dates for the Diary:**

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019

School Re-opens

*(Please ensure that you have emailed a booking for Nursery Plus or Club if you require this service, as recently we have been full)*

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January

Swimming lessons continue for Year 5

***After any gifts have been given on Christmas Day, the PTA would be grateful for any reusable gift bags. Please send these in with your child in January. Many thanks.***