

# UPDATE

## PANTO

Everybody thoroughly enjoyed the pantomime trip on Monday to see Beauty & the Beast at Exeter. Thank you to the PTA for kindly subsidising the ticket price for everyone - a great theatre experience for all.

## 'HAVING FUN AT CHRISTMAS'

After several adjustments to rehearsal and performance schedules, we finally got to perform the school play, 'Having Fun at Christmas' over the last few days. We hope you agree the children performed brilliantly and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves. Thank you to children, staff and families for making it such a success, and to the PTA for organising the raffles, raising a fantastic £144 for school funds.

## SCHOOL PYJAMA PARTY

The school Christmas Pyjama Party was held today. Following some collaborative project work in the morning, we all settled down to a pyjama party, with a film show, popcorn and, of course, a visit from a very special person. A lovely end to a busy week.

## CHRISTMAS CARDS

Our school council have been discussing ways in which we can be more Eco-friendly this year and have had some fantastic ideas, one of which is to **design and upload E-cards** to share with our friends across the school using our school blog.

Whilst it is nice to receive a card many children find that writing cards for EVERY child in their class is not only expensive but also (when so many are then found unopened and even in the bin) a huge waste of resources. You are, of course, welcome to send physical cards if you wish to.

We hope that you can see how small changes such as this can help to make a big impact upon our environment but mainly, giving the children the opportunity to be creative whilst still being mindful of these Christmas traditions.

## CHRISTMAS DINNER

Huge thanks to our catering team of Lorraine, Claire and Richard who provided such a fantastic feast for us all yesterday. It was lovely to have the whole school eating together and joining in the celebrations. Our homemade crackers were a great success!

## CAROL SERVICE

Our traditional Carol Service will be at East Anstey Church on Monday (16<sup>th</sup>) at 2.00pm. The PTA are serving refreshments from 1.30pm and we hope lots of families can join us.

## JOINT CHRISTMAS PARTY

Children from East Anstey School are invited to join those from Bishops Nympton at a joint Christmas Party to be held at Bishops Nympton Village Hall on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December, from 4.00-6.00pm. Invitations have gone home, but see overleaf for details if yours has been lost. If you wish to go, please let us know in the office by Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> so that we can give numbers to the organisers. Thank you.



**FUTURE DATES & EVENTS**  
 These are subject to change and additions, so please keep checking

### December

- Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Playgroup Christmas Party, 9.30
- Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Carol Service, 2.00pm
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Last day of term
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party, Bishops Nympton, 4.00-6.00

### January 2020

- Mon 6<sup>th</sup>
- Tue 7<sup>th</sup>

Non-Pupil day  
Children return



WB: Monday 9th December 2019

## Autumn Term Achievers

### Termly Achievers

Infant Achiever: **Ruby**

Junior Achiever: **Thea**



## House Points

Final totals for the term:

**Ruby** **1017 points**

**Sapphire** **765 points**

**Emerald** **1088 points**

**Amber** **1294 points**

## Parent Governor Vacancy

Emails were sent home this week inviting nominations for the Parent Governor position on the Governing Board.

Nominations close at noon on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**.

If you haven't seen the email and /or would like further details on the position, please contact the school office. Thank you.



£3 per child includes food and face painting (£7.50 for 3+ siblings), RSVP to school by 17th December



You are invited to the Bishops Nympton and East Anstey School Christmas party  
on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December  
4.00-6.00pm  
at Bishops Nympton Village Hall



## Welcome to the December 2019 Scomis Online Safety Newsletter for Parents

### Learning Differences and Special Needs Guide

Buying a new SmartPhone for your child for Christmas? Visit National Online Safety's website and check their 12 Smartphone Online Safety Tips which include:

- Always secure the phone with a password
- Disable location settings
- Limit Screen time
- Think of others when taking photos
- Always use a secure WiFi network
- Set up parental controls

Find out more [here](#)



CommonSense Media's Guide offers well-designed apps, recommended and tested by field experts. Apps are arranged by challenge area and difficulty level:

- Communication
- Social Interaction
- Organisation
- Reading and Writing
- Maths
- Motor Skills

Each challenge area includes an informational overview, help for choosing appropriate apps and resources [here](#).

### Learning Differences & Special Needs Guide



### Advice from Internet Matters

Whatever their age, Internet Matters can help you to find out more about what children might be doing online, providing practical advice on the steps you can take as a parent/carer to keep them safe in their digital world.

- Guides for 0-5; 6-10; 11-13; 14+
- Hubs: Social Media Advice; Gaming Advice;
- Online issues
- Setting controls and much more available [here](#)

Did you know there are 4 things to consider when buying a SMART Toy:

Does the toy interact with your child and other devices?  
Does the toy require your child's personal information?

Does it have a camera?

Does it require a monthly subscription to access new content?

Find out more [here](#)



Have you heard of MeetMe ?

### Recommended Age 13+

MeetMe is a popular social network app where users can log on to meet new people.

Has privacy and safety concerns.

Read review by CommonSense Media [here](#).

### HELP IN THE HOLIDAYS!

Remember FREE advice is just a phone call away from the 02 and NSPCC helpline 0808 800 5002

Or visit any 02 Guru in an O2 store



## Christmas Carols.

East Anstey Church.

Carol service.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm.

Followed by

Mulled wine and mince pies.

All welcome.

and Christmas day service

East Anstey Church.

Family Holy Communion At 10am.

