



# EARLHAM NEWS



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Additions to our App this week are  
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## Children return to school on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018



Dear Earlham Community

We have come to the end of the Autumn Term 2017 and I wish you all a good and safe break during the holidays. I hope you will all be reading and discussing and doing family and friends stuff together.



This week our Earlham Student Council completed a wonderful project which they conceived of and executed themselves. Their aspiration was that each child at Earlham should feel loved and realise that they belong to a community and so they decided to take upon themselves creating and delivering cards to every child at Earlham. This project was completed yesterday after 3 weeks of hard work and children enjoyed receiving their cards yesterday from the student council 'elves'.

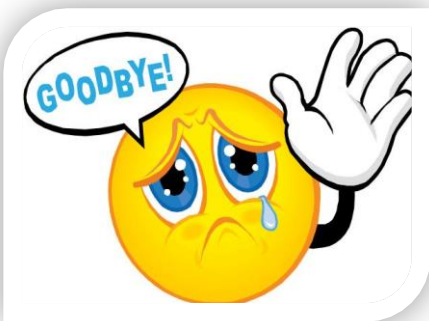
The Student Council will be working on increasing volunteering opportunities for pupils next Term including helping sort out the library and any playground problems. I look forward to updating you on their progress next term.



Our Christmas lunch was enjoyed by staff and pupils yesterday and our canteen was well decorated; with good music, good food, crackers and cheer! My favourite cracker joke .... *What do you call an angry kangaroo? Hopping mad!*



The Christmas Nativity play yesterday was heart-warming and fun and our children were confident and enthusiastic in their performances. The Nativity focused on diversity as we went around the world to see how Christmas is celebrated in different countries. Diversity is a huge Earlham strength and we are proud of how we all co-exist in harmony and positivity notwithstanding the normal human challenges.



This term has seen strong progress but we are sad to see some of our Staff members leaving us this term. This is due to our financial struggles which we are tackling and working on whilst ensuring that outcomes for children continue to rise and stay strong for all children. Staff leaving are

**Ms Pinia Chowdhury, Ms Catherine Corrigan and  
Ms Stephanie John-Baptiste from the Early Years and our long-serving  
Welfare Officer, Jan Stevenson**

They have each contributed so much to children in their time at Earlham and as we all know; the difference that one makes to children's lives is immeasurable and has impact beyond what we can ever understand. Thank you to each of them for their work and may they be blessed in their future endeavours.

We look forward to a great and productive 2018 filled with opportunity and progress for Earlham – Wishing each and all of the Earlham family: Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year

Mr Kerbel

### **Spring Term After School Clubs 2018**

**Please be reminded that clubs start on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January.** Booking forms were sent home this week. If you would like to register your child for a club please complete the booking form using your preferred method. Clubs are good value at £3.50 for 90 minutes until 5pm.



Thank you to the PTA for their great work this term including volunteering in classrooms and the library and for buying the **School Literacy Planet**. Every child from Year 1 upwards have been given a username and password to log onto this wonderful resource. Please try it out over the holidays.



A huge thank you to our bear donor (you know who you are and we are very grateful!) which resulted in the exciting and enjoyable Earlham bear sale this morning with 40 bears gone to good homes and nearly £100 (100% of which goes towards School classroom supplies) raised .

Look out for flash sales next term.

<b>Earlham Primary Term Dates</b>		
<b><i>Holiday</i></b>	<b><i>Friday 22 December 2017 - Tuesday 2 January 2018</i></b>	
Spring 1	Wednesday 3 January 2018	Friday 9 February 2018
<b><i>Holiday</i></b>	<b><i>Monday 12 February 2018 -Friday 16 February 2018</i></b>	
Spring 2	Monday 19 February 2018	Thursday 29 March 2018
<b><i>Holiday</i></b>	<b><i>Monday 2 April 2018 - Friday 13 April 2018 inclusive</i></b>	
Summer 1	Monday 16 April 2018	Friday 25 May 2018
<b><i>Holiday</i></b>	<b><i>Monday 28 May 2018</i></b>	<b><i>Friday 1 June 2018</i></b>
Summer 2	Monday 4 June 2018	Friday 20 July 2018
<b>Training and Development Days (when children are not in school)</b> Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2018		
<b>Bank Holiday</b> Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May - School Closed		
<b>New Term Starts Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018</b>		