

# Winter News 2017

## Welcome to the final newsletter of 2017

The year has flown by and we even finished with the threat of snow earlier in the month but it is not looking like a white Christmas unfortunately. It has also been an extremely sad year with two pupils having passed away most recently, Shea Given, who we will all remember with great fondness.

We have had a busy half term with the Christmas Fayre and our 'Strictly Come Dancing' competition. We have had the talent show this week and also enjoyed an excellent performance from a musical group, 'The Charleston Charlies'. With the Christmas party, disco and carol concert to come it will be a busy week. We also celebrated the, 'Margaret Byrce Smith School Awards', at our special assembly at the beginning of the month with 15 pupils receiving a prize for achievement.

We continue to receive fantastic support for our grounds project with fund raising continuing apace. We are delighted to say the HSBC community fund have awarded us £10,000 in support of our project which is fantastic news. We also received a generous donation from the family of Maureen O Donovan, one of our staff in memory of her mother who passed away and we are extremely grateful to them for thinking of the school.

Everton Free School have also supported us with pupils at the school building benches as part of their Vocational studies. A group of students came to school with their staff to deliver the first of the benches which is now proudly sitting in our playground.



As usual at this time of the year we have had many pupils and staff suffering from the many 'bugs' that do the rounds in winter. We hope that everyone will recover in time to have an enjoyable Christmas break and can partake in all the festivities. We look forward to welcoming everyone back safely to school on January 8th.

**Paul Cronin Headteacher**

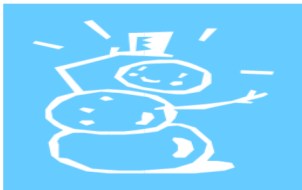


## ChildrenInNeed Wear Spots To School Day



On 16th November 2017 we supported Children In Need by wearing spots to school and donating £1.00. We also took part in the Sponsored Duck Race , each class picking a duck in the sweep for £2.00 . We raised £176.60p !  
Thank you all for your support, without you we just couldn't support these wonderful causes.

*Jeanette on behalf of Ella-May McIntosh -Chair of School Council*



## Christmas Toy Appeal



The School Council decide to support The Christmas Toy Appeal that Radio Merseyside, The Echo and Greggs the bakers are running. We collected over the month and once again we were overwhelmed with your generosity. On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December some of the school council members took all the toys to Radio Merseyside .  
The School Council would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all who supported our appeal.  
The School Council would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

*Jeanette on behalf of Ella-May McIntosh -Chair of School Council*



## Redbridge Students Win Football Tournament !



On Wednesday 13th December Class 7 and 3 pupils from Class 5 took part in a football tournament at Foxfield School. The tournament was run by 'Everton in the Community'. Everyone who took part tried really hard and produced a great performance and came in 1st place. Well done everyone!

Dave Teacher Class 7

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## Class 14 Produce a Stunning Christmas Fairy Tale Movie.

For their Duke of Edinburgh skills section, Class 14 have been developing their drama and video production skills. After 8 weeks of planning, script writing, story boarding and set design the pupils have produced a short video of an original Christmas story that is completely their own work. The movie has been included in the winter news show and can be viewed on the school website.



Filming



On Set



Lee Video Camera



Elves

## The Charleston Charlies



The pupils and staff of Redbridge were treated to a Christmas concert on Monday 18th December. The Charleston Charlies played lots of old Christmas favourites during their entertaining show and had the pupils up dancing and even playing along. A great start to our week of Christmas events!

**Cormac Teacher Class 14**

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## Harvest Festival Food Donations Delivered



All of the food that was kindly donated for our Harvest Festival was passed on to Class 12. The pupils helped sort the food and remove any out of date items, then the group went along to the North Liverpool Food Bank to drop it off. The class had a tour of the building and then helped carry the food in from the minibus, before assisting with the weighing process. In total 127.5 kg's of food was donated by you, the families of Redbridge High School.

**Ben Teacher Class 12**



## Parents and Carers Christmas Fayre

Everyone here at Redbridge High School would like to say a huge thank you to those who attended our Christmas Fayre last week. We had a great morning and hope you all enjoyed it.

We have been busy counting all of the donations taken throughout the morning, and are absolutely delighted to announce we raised a huge £885!

The money raised will go towards a wheelchair accessible swing for our multi sensory garden. Once again, we cannot thank you enough for all of your continued support.



*The First prize was a huge confectionery hamper won by Bev 'Deputy Headteacher' who was more than happy to share with students and staff !*

Maire Assistant Head Teacher

## The Annual Dance Competition

The theme of our annual Dance Competition this year was Latin Dance. The students learned a Samba, Bossa Nova, Cha Cha, Mambo and a Merengue. It was an enjoyable morning for all our students as they competed in three categories to find the winning couple in each heat.

Next year will be Ballroom !



Phil Music Teacher



## Carol Service

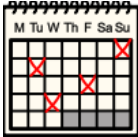
This term, the children have been working really hard practicing their nativity which focused on the letters of Christmas. Each class worked on a different part of the story focusing on one of the letters and a word associated with this. It all culminated in a beautiful scene and a magical morning with carols, music and dance.



Emma Teacher Class 8

## Key dates for your diary

### January 2018



Monday 8th January

School Resumes (09.00)

### February 2018

Monday 12th February

School Closed Half Term

Monday 19th February

School Resumes (9.00)

### March 2018

Wednesday 21st

School Performance

Thursday 22nd

School Performance

Monday 26th

School Closed Easter Holidays

### April 2018

Monday 9th

School Resumes (09.00)

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**C H R I S T M A S**

The Christmas holiday is a busy time in the shops with

everyone rushing around so stay together to stay safe