



Autumn 13

15th December 2017

EMAILS / LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK:

Energize Choir Letter

Snow Closure Email

Staggered Closure email/text

Club Cancellations Email

Christmas Performance Tickets update Email

Parent Survey Email

Christmas Lunch Email

Hi Visibility Jackets Email

TERM DATES 2017-2018

	Open	Close
Autumn	6th Sep	20th Oct
	30th Oct	19th Dec
Spring	4th Jan	9th Feb
	19th Feb	29th Mar
Summer	17th Apr	24th May
	4th June	24th Jul

2017 -2018 INSET days

Mon 4th September 2017

Tues 5th September 2017

Wed 3rd Jan 2018

Mon 16th April 2018

Fri 25th May 2018

School will be closed May Bank Hol 7th May 2018

2018 2019

	Open	Close
Autumn	5th Sept	19th Oct
	29th Oct	19th Dec
Spring	3rd Jan	15th Feb
	25th Feb	5th April
Summer	23rd April	24th May
	3rd June	24th July

Message from Mrs Reid

At an already very busy time of the year, the weather threw some unexpected challenges our way this week. As always we made the most of the situation and on Tuesday the school had great fun making snow sculptures and snowmen on the field, working collaboratively to create some fantastic designs.



Thank you to all the staff who battled through the treacherous conditions to get to the school and enable us to open on Tuesday; and to all the parents, grandparents and childminders who were able to accommodate the staggered start and finish times so that everyone could get to and from school safely.

We also proved that, no matter the weather, come



snow, rain or shine, the show must go on! And it certainly did. Despite losing valuable rehearsal time, the school performed 'The Magical

Jigsaw Puzzle' brilliantly this week. Each and every child in the school had a part to play and a chance to perform—all 133 of them!

This is no mean feat and took a huge amount of time and effort from all the

staff to put the performance together. Well done to all our pupils for performing so well, and to our soloists who sang so beautifully. It was a super performance that has really kicked off the Christmas season in style.

To finish the week, we had our termly celebration assembly, so well done to all the pupils who received special certificates for demonstrating our school values so well this term.

And so to next week—we have our Christmas party day on Monday so children can come to school wearing their party clothes for the day. The Christmas lunch will be held in the school hall, followed by party games in their classes.

On Tuesday we will finish our term with our annual Christmas service in the church at 1pm and close for the holidays at 2pm.

There will not be another newsletter this term, so I would like to wish you all a joyful and peaceful Christmas and New year break.

Merry Christmas!

Mrs Reid





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Road Safety and BMV group

At Frieth we are committed to pupil safety both inside and outside of the school gates. Our School Travel Plan Committee and our Junior Road Safety Officers do a fantastic job of promoting road safety, both through teaching resources in school and through promoting 'Perfect Parking Promises' for our parents and staff; and Walk to School weeks for our pupils.

We are incredibly grateful to BMV Group for sponsoring our new Hi-Vis vests for the pupils. They will enable us to keep our pupils bright and safe on their journeys to school through the darker winter evenings and continue with our commitment to pupil safety.



Staffing News: We are sad to announce that Mrs Martine Saunders will be leaving us at the end of this term as she has secured another position outside of education. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Mrs Saunders for all her support and dedication and to wish her enormous luck in her new role.

Reminders

Whole School Meeting: Following the recent cancellation of our planned Whole School Meeting, we have put together a short survey to find out more about how you would like the school to communicate with you in the future. It will only take a couple of minutes to fill in, and we would be very grateful for your feedback. Please could you submit your response by Monday 18th Dec

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/XRHN9MV>

Spring Term Clubs: The summary of clubs available in the spring term is now available on the school website. In a change to previous booking methods, we are again using the online booking system for all clubs run by the school. The booking system can be accessed by clicking on the hyperlinks on the clubs summary page of the school website at http://www.friethschool.co.uk/website/clubs_page/189277 All clubs in yellow boxes are run by outside providers and must be booked directly with them. The booking system is on a first come first served basis and will open for bookings on **Monday 18th December at 6pm** and will remain open until Friday 5th January.

Library Books returns: Please return **all library books** on Monday 18th December so that the librarians can reorganise ready for the new term. Some books have been on loan since October, which is preventing other pupils from accessing them. We understand that sometimes books get misplaced, however if you are struggling to find the book or cannot remember the book your child has on loan, please put a note in your child's book-bag for the attention of the librarian.



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Choir—Energize: Can we remind all choir members to return their Energise forms as soon as possible and no later than January 8th, so that we can finalise the pupils taking part and open up spaces for other pupils who are interested in joining.

End of Day Collections: We have had a few parents sending in notes saying that they are collecting other pupils from school. Please be aware that for safeguarding reasons, we cannot release any child to another adult without the express permission of their own parent. It takes a lot of time to telephone parents to check for permission at the end of every day, so please help to ensure our safeguarding policy runs smoothly, by sending in a written note to the class teacher if someone else is collecting your child that day.

Christmas lunch helpers: We would be very grateful for any parent volunteers to help with our Christmas lunch on Monday—Christmas jumpers and party hats optional!. If you are able to help and join in the fun, please email Mrs Horan so we know how many volunteers we are expecting.

Church Services

We have a number of Church services throughout the school year, including our Welcome service, Harvest service, Christmas service, Easter service and Leaver's service. As with all our services, parents are more than welcome to attend, but are asked to sit at the back of the church so the children can sit in the pews. Our final service this term is:

Tuesday 19th December 1pm

Christmas service

**School closes at 2pm on Tuesday 19th December
and reopens to pupils on Thursday 4th January**

Merry Christmas
All!

DIARY DATES

Dates and events happening in the school diary can all be accessed in the Calendar section of the School Website at the following link:

<http://www.friethschool.co.uk/website/calendar/186376>

More information is available on our school website

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