

### Head's Message



As we approach the end of a busy term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have made it such a success. As usual, the children have been a credit to the school. We have had many visitors over the past few months and nearly all comment on the exceptional behaviour and wonderful enthusiasm of our pupils. I know you will also join me in thanking the school staff for all of their hard work. We really are very lucky to have such a dedicated team.

Thank you to the Parent Volunteers who have been invaluable this term. Enormous thanks also to the fantastic RPSA team who have organised some brilliant events which are enjoyed immensely by our families and raise lots of money in the process! It really is thanks to the generosity of the parents, and in turn the RPSA, that we are able to offer such an enriched curriculum to our pupils.

From all the staff here at Rickmansworth Park, we wish you a very Merry Christmas!

### Y4 Dance Festival

Last Monday evening, the Y4 children took part in the Sports Partnership Dance Festival up at Rickmansworth School. It was such a pleasure to see our children performing so confidently and so proficiently. All of the children's hard work paid off when they took to the stage – they were brilliant!



### New School Website

As you know, the school is in the process of creating a new website. We are hoping that this will go live in the new year. The children were very excited yesterday when a professional photographer visited the school. During the course of the morning the photographer took over 900 photos so we are hopeful that the website will contain some great pictures celebrating life at Rickmansworth Park School.

### Term Time Holiday

A few parents have written to me expressing their upset at receiving a letter from the school, following a period of term time holiday. To clarify, any term time holiday will trigger a letter to both parents informing them that they are at risk of receiving a penalty notice.

#### Attendance

Our school is aiming to maintain a whole school attendance figure of

**97%**

#### ATTENDANCE FIGURES FOR 2017-18

YR – 99.0%  
Y1 – 95.5%  
Y2 – 98.3%  
Y3 – 97.7%  
Y4 – 97.7%  
Y5 – 97.3%  
Y6 – 95.8%

**WHOLE SCHOOL FIGURE – 96.6%**

**Unfortunately, we remain just below our target figure. . . but, with your help, 2018 could be a great year!**