



## School Newsletter

Date: 30/11/18

### Highlights and Important Information

We will be celebrating Christmas here at Nyland on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> December, when we will be having a school Christmas lunch. Children will not need to bring a lunch this day as everyone will be offered a Christmas lunch.

On Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November Saltmine came and entertained us with the production of Sleeping Beauty. It was a fantastic morning of fun and laughter and the play was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

- Pupils **must wear uniform** to school please. If you have any reason why this is not possible please let us know so we can support with this.
- Can you please put your child's name in their jumper so we can get it back to them if they leave it at school.
- Please note that if your child is unwell enough to need medication, then they should be at home. We are able to administer medication under the following circumstances only:
  - Travel sickness medication
  - The remainder of a course of antibiotics, provided a Dr. has said the child is well enough to attend school
  - Regular medication agreed on health care plans
  - Allergy medication
  - Paracetamol after a procedure, provided the child is cleared to be in school by a Dr.
- If we are administering medication, we will need the following:
  - Clearly marked medication with the child's name and dosage
  - A letter signed by the parent or carer giving permission for us to administer the medication
  - A Health Care Plan for ongoing medication

### In the Classroom

#### Please remember:

To find out about homework, topics, learning and what your child has been up to in class, you can access our school website at: <http://www.nyland-pri.swindon.sch.uk/>

### Safeguarding IT/Social Media Information

Keep your child safe when using all media

We have increasing concerns about the number of pupils in school who are playing age restricted games at home. We will call parents in relation to this and if there are further concerns we will seek advice from social care where appropriate.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-19042908>

Video game ratings using the PEGI (Pan-European Game Information) system have become legally enforceable in the UK.

- Games are rated 16-years and over if the depiction of violence or sexual activity looks the same as it would do in normal life. Drug and tobacco references also trigger the age limit.
- Games are rated 18-years and over if there is a "gross" level of violence likely to make the viewer feel a sense of revulsion.

Please look at the website below for advice and guidance on appropriate games for children:  
<http://www.askaboutgames.com/>

Values:

Happiness



Caring



(No copyright infringement is intended)

### Important Dates

**Family Friday 21/12/18 – Christmas entertainment in classes - 1:30pm finish**

**TD Day on Monday 07/01/19**

**Pupils return to school on Tuesday 08/01/19**

*POPUK will be with us in school from 08/01/19 to 11/01/19*

*Parents will be invited to join us for the 'participatory concert' on the 11/01/19*

### Supporting Your School

If you would like to take part in a parent group where you can meet and chat and join in with the school events, make suggestions or access useful information, then please contact our Parent support advisor, Michelle Wynn, through our office, and let us know how you would like to be involved.

### Attendance

Regular attendance at school is really important for pupils to develop feelings of safety and belonging. Pupils also need to have good relationships with adults and other pupils in order to be able to take risks in their learning and progress. If they have consistent attendance then they are better equipped emotionally and with the learning skills that they need to progress. Please make sure your child attends school every day unless they are ill and then please let the school office know. Please note that any attendance below 95% will be addressed through a graduated response starting with a letter from the Education Welfare Officer and progressing to meetings if appropriate.

