

# Tetherdown News!

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## Merry Christmas to you all



Dear Parents and Carers

This week the DfE published their most recent overall analysis data. In this category ALL schools in the UK have been compared to show overall BEST performance at the end of Key Stage 2, which takes into account progress in each of the subjects Reading, Writing and Maths. I am delighted to share with you that Tetherdown is third in Haringey! Click [here](#) to access this information. [Harris Primary Academy Coleraine Park may well be discounted.] Progress scores are a measure of how well children have improved from the end of Year 2. High levels of progress indicate the school is “adding value” to the outcomes of its pupils. We will certainly be using this information to inform our ongoing school development work, with a focus on further increasing attainment in the areas of Writing and Maths which we predict will continue to positively impact on progress and outcome measures in 2019.

I should also like to celebrate our letter from Nick Gibb MP and Minister of State for School Standards which identifies our recent success with Year 1 children and their attainment in the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check. Click [here](#) to access and read our letter.

Please [click](#) here to access the current Parent Questionnaire where you can share your views and make a contribution to the school development processes.

Many thanks to all the parent reps for their support during a festive party season. The children really enjoyed their parties and on their behalf – a big thank you!

Our “Tetherdown Teddy” for best attendance for this term was revealed today. For this week only we announced best attendance over the whole of the autumn term. Moving forward we will analyse attendance data on a weekly basis and Teddy will be passed on accordingly. This week’s winners were Year 3 Peacocks Class – well done!

Thank you to the many parents who have donated £18,122.40 so far via the Building and Maintenance Fund. Your donations go a long way in helping us to pay for much needed repairs and maintenance of the school. During the Christmas break, we will be spending £1,000.00 on damp walls in the new part of the building. This would not be possible if we did not receive your kind donations. You can increase your donations on ParentMail and pay on a regular basis should you wish to. Click [here](#) to open our Building Maintenance page on our website for regular updates and how you can make a payment.

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All children have taken part in Christmas parties and so we say a big "thank you" to Santa who dropped in to visit Reception and Year 1.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday. We look forward to seeing the children again on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

Tony Woodward

Headteacher

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Dates for your diary: **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February** E-safety workshop for Years 2-6 and parent workshop – 6:30-7:30.

### **Junior Pantomime at the Bull Theatre.**



On 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> December Year 3 to Year 6 attended the Dick Whittington Panto. Much laughter was had with all the terrible jokes, songs, wigs falling off and grand finale wedding scene.

'Simply hilarious' Amber Y5

'I loved the 12 days of Christmas song-pots, pans and underwear'

Vincent Year 4

'Amazing light scene to show the chase and the undersea

song' George.

We would like to thank all the parents who came with us and supported us with the management in travelling on the underground. We managed to save £1400 by using public transport, but could not do this without the help of parents.

