



DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

We have had a very exciting run up to Christmas and it has been lovely to see so many parents and carers supporting our events. The end of term is fast approaching we are all looking forward to spending time with family and friends over the festive period.

PTFA Christmas Fayre

A huge thank you to our incredible PTFA who pulled out all the stops to ensure our first Christmas Fayre was a huge success. With an outstanding £1029 raised for our school I would like to also thank everyone who supported this event.

Children in Need and Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

This year we raised a fantastic £247.57 for Children in Need and £124.90 for Save the Children through our non-uniform days. Thank you for your kind donations.

SEND Coffee Mornings

Thank you to those who have attended our SEND coffee mornings on Fridays 9-10. It has been lovely to welcome parents over the past few weeks, and we will continue these into the spring term. Mrs Ogden and Mrs Millard will continue to be available to discuss aspects of wellbeing and SEND, 1:1 discussion can also be arranged during these sessions.

George Barnsdale

We would like to extend our thanks to George Barnsdale for their donation of apple tree saplings and for taking the time to plant these with our school council.

Staff

Melissa Cross, Dragonflies class teacher, will be leaving us following a period of absence. Having worked at our school as a teaching assistant and completing her teacher training with us, Melissa will be sadly missed however we wish her the very best for the future. We are delighted to appoint Clare Forman as a permanent class teacher within our EYFS team. Clare will continue to lead Ladybirds whilst Dragonflies will continue to be taught by Debbra Hutson and Heather Kitt.

We are saying goodbye to Fern Shaw, teaching assistant, who has an exciting opportunity to work for Kooth mental health service. We wish her every success in her new job.

Winter Weather

The children will continue to play outside at break and lunchtime throughout the winter period. Please make sure that your child has a warm winter coat, hat and scarf and appropriate footwear so that they can enjoy being outside.

Child Absence/Illness

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please make sure that you contact us on the first day of absence as early as possible. Contact can be made by ParentMail, email or by phone. If no message is received and we are unable to make contact, one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads may have to make a home visit.



Christmas performances

EYFS/ KS1

Our Christmas performances are underway with EYFS and Key Stage 1 pupils sharing Christmas messages in their wonderful performances at our beautiful village church last week. We hope you all enjoyed sharing this with us.



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KS2 Friday 16th December 2pm

Reminder that our Key Stage 2 carol performance will be held at Church at 2pm. Parents are invited to attend, and children can be collected from here at the end of the performance (approx. 2.45pm). We ask that this is limited to 2 parents only due to

church capacity. Please let class teachers know in advance if you will be collecting your child from the church, all other children will walk back to school for usual collection at 3.15pm. Please can all children wear a Christmas themed/ or bright and colourful jumper on this day.

Disco Friday 17th December

We will be hosting Christmas Discos for all our children. £1.50 per child payable on entry. This will include a drink and a biscuit for all children. The time for the EYFS/Key Stage 1 disco is as follows:

EYFS/ KS1- 6-7pm

Key Stage 2 Children Only

The Key Stage 2 children will have the opportunity to purchase sweets and/or Christmas slap bands at the disco; the slap bands and small bag of sweets will be sold for 20p each. The time for the Key Stage 2 disco is as follows:

KS2- 7.15 – 8:30pm

December

- 13th EYFS, Y1, Y3 and 4 Music Performance
- 15th Christmas Dinner and Christmas party day (non-uniform)
- 16th KS2 Carol Service
- 16th Christmas Disco
- 16th End of Autumn Term 2

January

- 4th Start of Spring Term 1

February

- 10th End of Spring Term 1
- 13th- 17th HALF TERM
- 20th Start of Spring Term 2

