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16th December, 2022

Dates for your diary:

No afterschool clubs during the last week and first weeks of term.

Christmas dates:

- 16th December – Christmas Movie night
- 19th December
2.15 pm – YR & KS1 Nativity
- 20th December
9.10am – Year 5 & 6 Christmas Prayers

Christmas parties:

- 19th December
10am – Reception & Year 1 & 2
- 21st December 1pm – Year 3 & 4
- 22nd December
1pm – Year 5 & 6

Term time

School closes on Friday 23rd December and then re-opens on Tuesday 10th January, 2022.

January 2023

- 6th January, 2023 - Feast of the Epiphany
- 15th January, 2023 – Closing date for Reception class applications.



Dear parents and carers,

Can you believe the weather we are having? Naturally, the children are loving the snow! Please continue to make sure that the children come in warm, waterproof coats and outdoor shoes, with indoor shows to wear in school.

Reception class places

The deadline for parents to apply for a place in Reception class for September 2023 is 15th January, 2023. If you have a child due to start school next September, or you know someone with a child of Reception school age, please make sure that an online application is made before this date. The applications can be made by clicking on the following [link](#). We do still have some spaces in other year groups, but I am delighted to say that our numbers are increasing on a weekly basis.

Uniform donations

We are collecting unwanted uniform in school to ensure we have spares in case needed, especially during this cold period. If you have any uniform (especially smaller sizes) that you no longer want or need, please consider donating it to school – Mrs Hazard will be delighted to receive your unwanted surplus.

Attendance

School attendance is vital for all pupils and, as you are aware, is tracked closely by the senior leaders in school. I appreciate that there have been a number of bugs and viruses going around this half term, so let's hope they all disappear over the Christmas break. Please make every effort to ensure your child is in school – we are looking for as many 100% attendees for next half term.

Food from home

There are some occasions when children are able to bring food into school from home; school packed lunches, trips out, party food. Please ensure that you do not include any items of food that include nuts of any sort (including chocolate nut spreads) or egg. This is a health and safety requirement as we have children in school with severe allergies. Any identified food containing these allergens will be taken from your child and an alternative given. Thank you for your cooperation with this very serious matter!

Afterschool clubs

There are no afterschool clubs next week or the week beginning 9th January, 2023. A new list of afterschool activities will be shared during the first week back and will start from Monday 16th January, 2023. Wrap around provision will continue as normal. If you are booking your child in on Friday 23rd December (last day of term) would you please do so by no later than noon on Wednesday 21st December.



Christmas parties

The children's Christmas parties all take place next week. Each child has had a paper plate sent home. Please add a small, party tea to the plate and return this on the day of your child's party. Children are to come to school in their party clothes on the day of their classes party.

Mrs Dunn
Headteacher