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'Children at the heart; Inspiring futures'

Friday 26th November 2021

Dear Parents and carers,

As Friday comes around again, I take pleasure in sharing the wonderful things that have been happening in school. The school has been a hive of activity as children have continued to engage in a broad and balanced curriculum, whilst beginning to rehearse their Christmas concerts taking place in the forthcoming weeks.

Children in Need

Last Friday, a whole-school 'dance-a-thon' took place, with at least one class dancing at all times across the entire morning. A huge thank you to all our families, who supported the cause by donating. A fantastic £321.65 had been raised and has already found its way to the charity.



Christmas Letter

A newsletter was sent out on Wednesday, detailing all the dates and events ready for the festive period. This was sent to all families using the email addresses you provided at the start of the year. If this did not work its way to you, please contact the school office requesting a copy.

Advent Calendars

We are grateful again to Cutsyke Christian Church, who have so kindly donated advent calendars for all the children in our school for the second year in a row. These will be sent home today with your child ready for the excitement of December next week!

Class Dojo reminder

As Class Dojo becomes an integral part of our school life, it is more important than ever to continue to celebrate your child's achievements at home. We ask that you discuss their Dojos with them and continue the positive praise we give them at school, at home. If you have not yet connected to your child's Class Dojo account, please seek support from your child's class teacher.

The Headteacher is the designated person for all child protection issues

Home Learning & Reading at Home

Please be reminded that class teachers upload your child's home learning tasks to Seesaw each week. A list of spellings, which are appropriate for your child's current attainment, along with a further task are made available each Friday. Please contact your child's class teacher for any support with this or the school office team for replacement login codes.

We are grateful for your help with supporting your children to read at least three times each week. We all understand the importance of reading with our children, equipping them with the skill that unlocks the rest of the curriculum. Children in Reception and Key Stage 1 should bring home appropriate Read, Write, Inc books, along with weekly books for pleasure, and children in Year 2, who have finished Read, Write, Inc bring home appropriate books to continue their reading journey. Children in Year 3-6 receive a range of age-appropriate, quality texts each week using 'Bug Club'.

Covid reminder

As numbers continue to rise in the local area, please can I take this opportunity to thank all of our families for your vigilance regarding your child's health. If your child is displaying one of the main three symptoms – a **new, persistent** cough, a high temperate of 37.8 degrees Celsius, or a loss or change in taste or smell – please do not send them into school and book a PCR test as soon as possible. A lateral flow test is not sufficient where children display one of these symptoms.

Attendance

Reception	96.8%
1C	98.5%
1/2S	96.6%
2V	99.1%
3B	93.7%
3/4H	93.8%
4S	91.8%
5J	97.4%
5/6L	93.8%
6W	81.7%



Congratulations to all those classes with a percentage above our school target of 97% and a special congratulations to **2V** who had the highest percentage this week!

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs R Taylor
Interim Headteacher