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Dear Parents,

We have had another busy week at school this week - ending with Pupil Voice on Friday afternoon. Children from Y1-Y6 took part in the Pupil Voice session this afternoon. They were evaluating our science curriculum, discussing what they enjoyed about science, what they would like to improve about the science curriculum etc. As soon as the information has been collated we will publish it on the reverse of the newsletter for you.

I am hoping everyone received their text about the cancellation of Christmas Crafts on Saturday. This is not a decision we have taken lightly - but we have had such high levels of illness this week amongst staff that I would rather cancel Christmas Crafts to give staff chance to recover and be fully staffed next week! The children will not miss out - the craft resources will be distributed around the classrooms next week.

I thought it would be helpful to have a reminder about key dates for the next week.

Next Wednesday the pupils from Reception classes, years 1 and 2 will be performing the Nativity. The performance will start at 9:30am in the Community Centre and last just less than an hour. Next Thursday afternoon (2:15pm start - gates will open at 2pm) pupils in Years 3 and 4 invite their parents to their landing pad assembly in the school hall, and on Friday (same time and place) Y5 and 6 pupils invite their parents to come along and find out more about what they have been learning at school this term.

On Friday afternoon 2pm - 5pm if you have a spare 30 minutes would you be able to join the PTFA team in wrapping presents for the Christmas Gift Day (more details on the reverse of this letter) If so please do drop into the Cookery Room in the link - your help would really be appreciated!

Thank you to everyone who has held fire on sending Christmas cards into school up until now (I did spot a stray one on Tuesday!!!!) Post-boxes will be open in each classroom from Monday morning if your child would like to send a Christmas Card to their friends. Recipients name and the name of the class (or year group) on the envelope would help the postmen!

Oh, it is beginning to feel a lot like Christmas.....!

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Diary Dates – Term 2

10th Dec – Christmas Crafts
11th Dec – Breakfast with Santa
14th Dec – Nativity at the Community Centre (9:30am)
15th Dec – Landing Pad Assembly –Y34 (2:15pm)
16th Dec – Landing Pad – Y56 (2:15pm)
20th Dec – School Xmas Lunch
21st Dec – Last day of term

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3rd January – Staff Training Day
4th January – Children start back to school

School Lunches!

Don't forget school meals cost £2:30 a day if your child is in Years 3, 4, 5 &6.
School meals will be served from week 1 next week.
The new menu is available on the school website
Go to About Us – Documents

Attendance / holidays

Please do remember that we are not in a position to be able to authorise holidays for children during school time. If there is a reason your son / daughter needs time out of school for an **exceptional circumstance** please complete the exceptional circumstance form that can be found in the school office or on the school website – About Us / Policy link / Attendance Policy.

Christmas Gift Day

The PTFA Gift Day will be held on Monday 19th December during school hours. All gifts will be priced at £2.50 so please remember to send your children in with enough money for the amount of gifts they wish to purchase for their family/friends. If you were to note the names of the people you would like them to buy for on the envelopes that would help our process.

On Friday 16th December we would welcome as many volunteers as possible to help wrap the Christmas gifts we will be selling on the Monday. If you can even only spare 30minutes we would really appreciate it. Gift wrapping will be started at 2pm in the Cookery Room and we will be wrapping until the last item has been wrapped!!!!

If anyone is able to come & assist, that would be helpful.

Thank you for all the donations of wrapping paper you have sent in. Much appreciated – any more will be welcome! We also require donations of wrapping paper & gift tags.

Thanks PTFA

Attendance news!

The class with the best attendance (28th Nov - December 2nd) was Kelpies - **99.29%**

Head lice

'Every week- take a peek'

Christmas dates for you diary

W/C 28th Nov – Contributions of wrapping paper / sticky gift tags welcome

10th Dec – Christmas Crafts 10 -12noon. Bring your child along to get into the Christmas-y spirit!

11th Dec – Breakfast with Santa

14th Dec – Nativity Years 1,2 and R)

15th Dec – Landing Pad Y34 (2:15pm)

16th Dec – Landing Pad Y56 (2:15pm)

16th Dec– Xmas gift wrapping – please come along and support this event from 2pm

19th Dec – Christmas Gift Day. All gifts will be sold for £2:50. Get your shopping lists arranged in advance!

20th Dec -Christmas lunch

Please help us at school by respecting the rule that no Christmas Cards are brought into school until the week commencing 12th December