

Small School Big Ideas 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017

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## Dear Parents,

What a busy week we had last week, with our KS1 Nativity performances and carol singing at Selby Abbey and the Marina. Well done to all the children who took part in these events and thank you to all who came along to support. We have had many notes and emails to say how fantastic the children were. Well done to the staff too, for all their hard work to make these special times possible.

What's on this/next week:	
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y3/4 visit to Tropical World and a Gurdwara
	KS1 gym club (last one)
Weds 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Link Governor for English visiting school
	Yo-Yo Christmas workshops for Y1/2 and Y3/4 and
	Collective Worship
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas lunch and parties, plus a visit from a very
	special gentleman if everyone has been good!
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Save the Children Christmas Jumper day. Bring in £1
4 7 4 5	donation
***	KS2 Archery Club (last one)
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Children to bring in an orange for Christingle
	Whole school trip to see pantomime, leaving school at
	12 noon and returning at approx.4pm.
	Children will need a packed lunch
Weds 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christingle preparation in school hall from 1.15pm
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Christingle rehearsal in church am
	Open Afternoon to see your child's work, from 2pm
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Christingle in church 2pm. All welcome
	Break up for Christmas
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Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Training Day. School closed
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	School starts back
Weds 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Mathletics Launch for parents pm
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Open morning for families of potential new starters for
AL.	Sept 2018 to visit 9am – 12.30pm
w/b 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Clubs start again. Details to follow
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<u>Children in Need</u> Eli, Felix, Laurence & Oliver's Children In Need 5km run raised a huge £231. Well done, boys. Louise would like to pass on a big thank you to everyone who supported this event and donated.

<u>Celebration Certificates</u> Last week, the certificates were awarded to:

- All of KS1 for their amazing performance of 'Prickly Hay'
- Luce in Y4 for taking her time with her maths assessment, with pleasing results
- All of Y5/6 for brilliant paired reading with KS1

Also, Erin and Sam in Y5 shared their swimming certificates with us. Great work, girls. The lunchtime award went to Barney for being helpful and kind.

**New Year's Eve** The owners of the Blacksmith's Arms have very generously offered to give school the proceeds from ticket sales at their New Year's Eve party. Tickets are £5 and there will be a band and a cold buffet. Tickets are available at the pub.

<u>Friends of Naburn</u> There will be a textile collection on 15th January, so if you are having a sort out over Christmas, please put items to one side for us. The usual items will be collected (clothing, paired shoes and textiles) but no branded school uniform please. Official bags are coming home today but are not a requirement.

## Parent Questionnaire Please see attachment

## Reverse Advent Calendar <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-42069381">http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-42069381</a>

Our 'advent box' has arrived, thanks to the Horne family who have carefully made it. If you feel able to contribute, please send a donation of a food item in to school and we will try to fill all 24 doors in the run up to Christmas, before taking it to the homeless centre in York.

<u>Taking part in Stillingfleet Carol Service</u> Is there anyone who lives in Stillingfleet and would like to represent our school at St Helen's Carol Service on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm? I am unfortunately not available to lead anything this year, but it would be lovely if one of our children could read out a special Christmas reading or poem (chosen or written by the child), or if someone would like to play a musical instrument? Do let me know.

<u>Mathletics and Reading Eggs</u> As you will know, we have purchased Reading Eggs and Mathletics to support and challenge our children both at school and at home. On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January, you are warmly invited to an information event to learn more about these programmes.

From 1.30pm – 2pm there will be an assembly for KS1 children and parents in the school hall, followed by a Q and A session. KS1 parents are then welcome to stay in KS1 to work with their children on the programmes.

Then there will be a KS2 assembly for parents and children at 2.15pm - 2.45pm with a Q and A session after.

<u>Posada</u> Mary, Joseph and Donkey are having a lovely time exploring the neighbourhood. Thanks to all who have looked after them so far. The standard of writing in the diaries is very high this year, reflecting the hard work we have done in school on this area. Well done all.

Many thanks, Mrs Christison