

Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School



9.12.22

Dear Parents,

We had a fabulous Sunday evening coming together to switch on the Christmas Tree lights in the village. We sang carols outside the pub and then disappeared inside to enjoy the football match – perfect. Thank you to all for coming along and thank you to Anne for leading the Carol singing on guitar. There was also another strong rendition of Slade's 'Merry Christmas' by Dickie Atkinson - this is becoming a big Christmas tradition!

It is important for me to also thank the Blacksmith's Arms for organising a collection for the school on the night and thank you to all who contributed by purchasing complimentary hot chocolate and mulled wine. Together you raised £35.73.

If you prefer pictures to writing, please use the link. <https://youtu.be/WeZCGg9b93M>



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## Clubs

Please note that the only Clubs that will run next week will be my Homework Club and all my Maths Clubs. Thank you

## Attendance initiatives

We have decided that our Stripes attendance initiative was no longer having the impact that we wanted. As you know, we are continually looking at development and improvement and plan a new incentive. The children appear to really like the weekly House Attendance Champion, so this will continue along with a possible voucher reward scheme.

## Ofsted Monitoring Report

I am sure that you will be interested to know we received our draft Ofsted monitoring report on Tuesday. I hope this will mean that we will be able to publish this document on the school website and send it to you before we break up for Christmas.

## Infant Nativity

What incredible Nativity Performances we witnessed this week. Thank you to Acorn Class for providing us with such beautiful Christmas memories and thank you to all the Infant staff for making this special event happen. I know that everyone that came along loved every second.



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## YoYo – It's Your Christmas

Thank you to the YoYo team who came in on Monday to lead a Christmas session with Sycamore Class and then present the Christmas story in Worship from the point of view of the Wise Men.



### Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper Day was colourful, woolly and warm. It was so good to see so many great festive outfits in school and all for such a good cause. We managed to raise £36.85 for Save the Children. With the Government agreeing to double the funds it has boosted the collection to £73.70. Thank you to everyone for participating, contributing and enjoying.

### Christmas Dinner

Christmas dinner was enjoyed together by the children and staff. Thank you to Julie, our cook for providing us all with the most gorgeous feast and thank you to the PTA for providing the crackers.



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## Christmas Parties – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Our School Christmas parties will take place on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Acorn will have their party from 11am to 12 noon and Sycamore will hold their festive fun event at 2pm. Please note that it will be a non-uniform party clothes day! Ho, Ho, Ho!

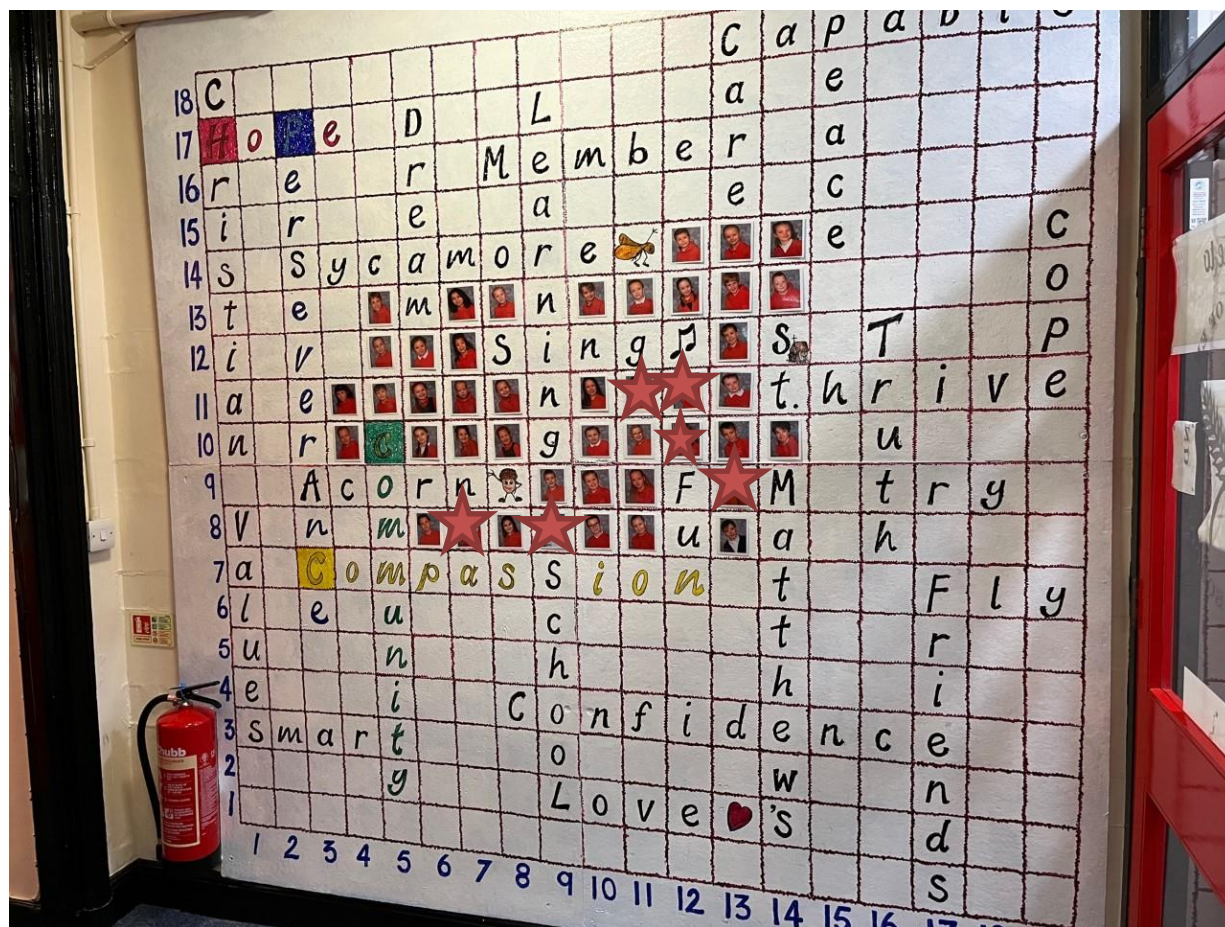
## Christmas Card Winner

I am pleased to announce that Felicia's entry (Year 2) was the runner-up in Julian Sturdy's (MP for York Outer) Christmas card competition.

Julian will be sending a small prize to congratulate her. She will also receive a photo of the Prime Minister with her entry. Congratulations Felicia!

## Entrance Display

Our Entrance Display is close to completion. We just need the staff photographs and we are there! Doesn't it look fantastic?



## Millbridge Farm Meeting

Thank you to Vicky for hosting yesterday's Millbridge Farm Meeting and thank you to all the residents for the support you are providing the school. We are all very grateful.

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## Christingle Service

We are excited to announce that our Christingle Service will take place on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** at St Matthew's Church, starting at 2pm.

Please can I remind you of a couple of things that you will need to be aware of as we move closer to this date.

Firstly, please can you send an **orange** in for your child/ren on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December**. I am grateful to the PTA for offering to prepare these oranges on Tuesday afternoon of that week. I am sure that they would appreciate any extra help with this activity, if you can spare an hour.

The Christmas story will be told by the children through a combination of narration, readings, songs and movement before the children receive their Christingle orange. I am delighted to tell you that we have managed to get the Reverend Waller and Reverend Loftus to lead the address and the Blessing at the end.

It would be lovely to welcome all who can attend the service, so please do come along if you can.

### Notice from Reverend Maxine Waller



### Christmas Movie Night – Friends of Naburn CE Primary School

The Friends of Naburn CE Primary School will present 'The Grinch' at Movie Night tonight at 3.15pm. All year groups are welcome and offers for parental help at the event would be greatly appreciated. Pick up after is at 4.45pm. Please contact the Office for late tickets. Popcorn and juice included.

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## TTRockstars! Message from Mrs Mann

Here are the results for the last 3 battles in school...

Battling Groups	Winners
Whole School	Year 5
Year 3 v Year 4	Year 3
Year 5 v Year 6	Year 6
Year 2 v Year 3	Year 3
Whole School	Ongoing

## Number 6 on the Village Advent Trail



Look out for us when you walk around the village. Thank you to Mrs Atkinson and her friend Sarah Porter for designing and making such a stunningly brilliant contribution to the Advent Trail.

## Friends of Naburn News

A few important reminders from The Friends of Naburn.

Tickets for the annual Christmas raffle are on sale now. We've secured some fantastic prizes from some very generous places in York, as well as further afield. More information on what's up for grabs is included at the end of this letter. Tickets are £1 each and can be purchased from the school office. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 16 December, after the Christingle service. You've got to be in it to win it!!

To go with these, we're asking for you to boost the prizes on offer by donating something for the raffle please. We would welcome things like bottles, chocolates, posh biccies, chutneys, small gift sets. Anything big or small would be very much appreciated.

We've only got a few Christmas puddings left so hurry to get yours. We have two flavours left to choose from, ultimate plum pudding and luscious lemon, at £7 each. These are a perfect desert for the big day or would be a lovely gift. If you would like one, or two, please contact the school office. Remember, these aren't just any Christmas puddings, they're Naburn Christmas puddings...and they're nearly all gone so don't miss out.

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As always, please get in touch if you would like to help or be part of the PTA. We're only a small group and have some fantastic ideas we'd love to bring to the school.

### **House Winners and Stars of the Week!**

We had two weeks' worth of House Points and Star of the Week awards. Well done to Hope and Community for being attendance champs and overall House Champions respectively. Congratulations to all our Stars for the positive contributions they have made to our school.



### **Christmas Community Afternoon – 12.12.21**

One of the main purposes of the Christmas Community Afternoon is to attract those members of our village that do not necessarily have a direct link with the school. I am not sure how popular this occasion will be and have no means of finding out until the day. Wrapped up in this delightful uncertainty, is the need to prepare. With this in mind, please may I ask for your assistance?

Firstly, we would be most grateful for parents/adult volunteers to serve tea, coffee and cakes to our guests on the afternoon. Volunteers will also be royally entertained along with our guests!

Secondly, we would really appreciate prize donations for the raffle. Nothing too big. A can, bar or a bottle would be great as ideally we would like one small prize per guest. I tend to rig the competition!

The actual afternoon will include a quiz, a raffle, refreshments and a variety of performances led by the children.

Please send in the slip at the bottom of the letter you received a couple of weeks ago if you can help in anyway.

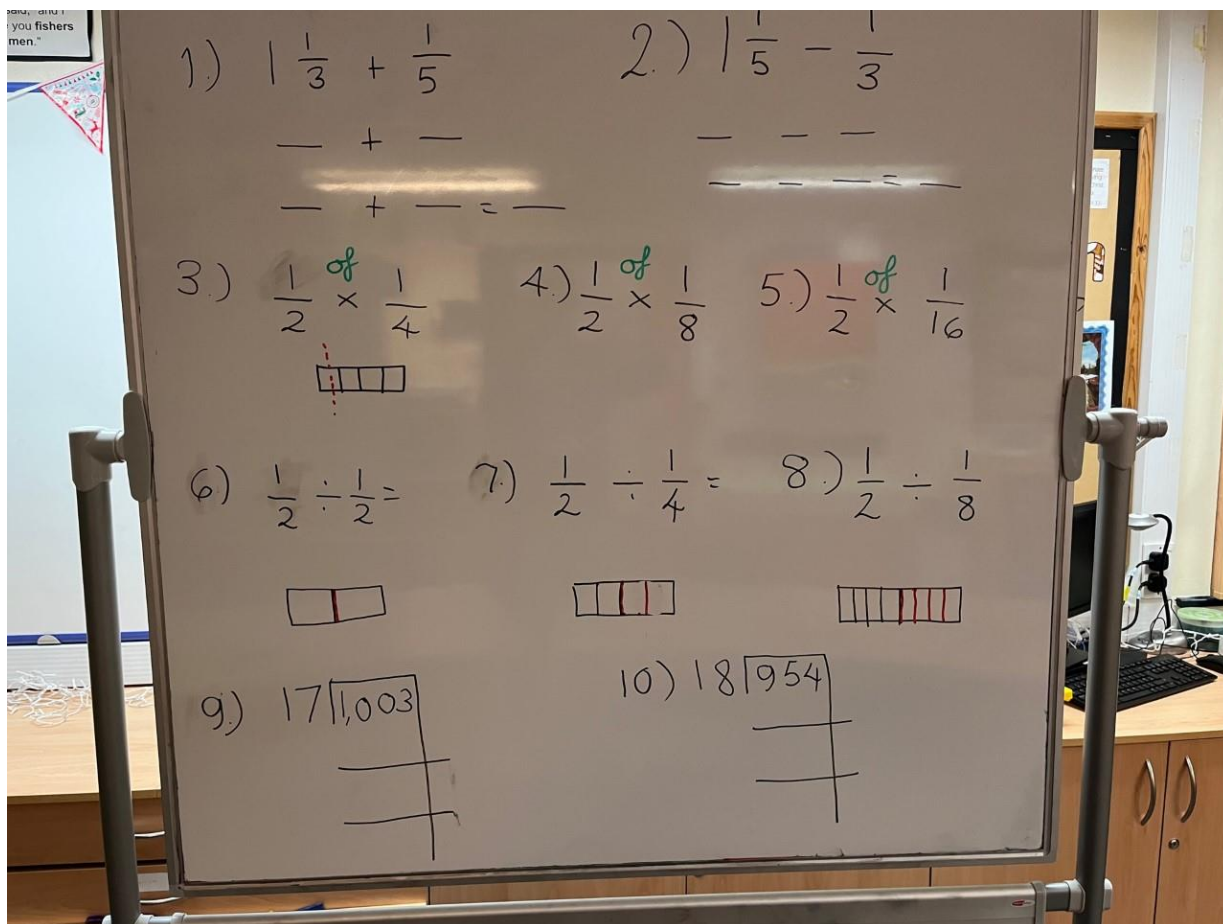
Many thanks as always for your support.

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**Ave' a go!**



### Online Safety

### Attendance figures

- This week's School Attendance W/C 5.12.22 = 82.03 % - Unauthorised absence = 0.87%
- Last week's School attendance = 79.24% - Unauthorised absence = 2.39%
- Whole School Attendance Autumn Term to date = 88.83% - Unauthorised absence = 2.04%

Weekly attendance data for this week is below. Let's keep it up!

**WE NEED EVERY CHILD IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY AND IF THEY ARE NOT IN OUR SCHOOL THEY SHOULD BE ATTENDING ANOTHER.**

### Picture News

We all hope that you have a lovely weekend. **C'mon England! UNS!**

Best wishes

Jonathan Green  
Headteacher

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## ***Safeguarding***

If you have significant concerns for the welfare of a child, in addition to being able to contact Mr Green, Mrs Atkinson or Mrs Coultas during school hours, you may wish to make direct contact with the [York MASH \(Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub\)](#) on T: 01904 551900, option 3. They operate an out-of-hours service so concerns can be raised with them at any time.

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## **PTA Christmas Puddings Order Form**

If you would like to order one of our Christmas puddings, please note how many you would like next to the flavour and complete your details below. Payments to be given in cash, when returning the below order form.

Ultimate Plum Pudding \_\_\_\_

Luscious Lemon Pudding \_\_\_\_

Sticky Toffee Pudding \_\_\_\_

Name of child and Year \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian \_\_\_\_\_

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