



Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School



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CHRISTMAS and we've made it, after such a great final week which included the School Christmas Dinner, PTA Film Night, the Christingle Service (report in the first newsletter after Christmas), Christingle preparations, the Community Afternoon and Christmas Parties! Wow! Use the link below if you would prefer to listen rather than read. <https://youtu.be/ZaFGumAon-Q>

'Arthur Christmas' PTA Film Night

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the PTA Christmas Film Night showing of 'Arthur Christmas'. Popcorn and juice, as well as a festive hot chocolate flowed along with numerous gingerbread persons. It was great to see so many taking the holiday season so seriously in their festive PJs, armed with teddies, blankets and anything else that got them cosy under the Christmas tree. Thank you PTA!



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School 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.



Christmas Parties

Our School Christmas parties were a great success. The children enjoyed the music, games and other festivities as well as meeting Father Christmas. We appreciate him paying us a special visit at his busiest time. We are very lucky. Ho, Ho, Ho!



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Community Afternoon

We had the **most magnificent Monday** afternoon with all our invited guests from the village and it was so good to welcome so many! We sang, performed magic tricks, told jokes and did impressions amongst many other things to entertain them. Our visitors definitely enjoyed our hospitality and I am very grateful to the Friends Committee for serving and supplying the refreshments. All together a very lovely event.



Reverend Maxine

It was so lovely to welcome Reverend Maxine for the first time this term to lead Worship for us on Monday on the Wise Men. Thank you Maxine



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Making Christingles



Thank you to the PTA for supervising the creation of the Christingle Oranges for the service on Friday afternoon. As you can see from the photo, the children enjoyed it and really got into the spirit!

On that note, the **Christingle Service at St Matthew's Church** is today, starting at **2pm**. It would be so lovely to see as many parents, relatives and friends at the service so please feel free to advertise and spread the word.

Thank you Mrs Dale

Look at these gifts! Thank you to Mrs Dale who has designed, knitted and given these gorgeous Christmas angels to every child in school. So lovely!



PTA Section

Tickets are still on sale for our Christmas raffle. We've secured some fantastic prizes from businesses across York, such as Mama Doreens, The Wizard Walk of York, Yorkshire Winter Wonderland, Northwood Fairy Trail and many, many more. For more information on the prizes please see the poster at the end of the newsletter. Tickets are £1 each and can be bought from the school office. The draw will take place on the school playground at 3.10pm.

Invitation to Assembly on Thursdays

Please remember that you are all cordially invited to our Celebration Assembly on a Thursday at 2.55pm. We would love to celebrate the weekly success of the children with you all. Thank you.

Online Safety

The link below will take you to the **TEAL website** and a section that will keep you as parents and families updated on online safety. Please take some time to have a look at it. It is really easy to

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navigate and shares with you good information, tips and advice.

<https://theeducationalliance.onlinesafetyhub.uk/>

Christmassy e-safety bits and pieces are added to the school website through this

link <https://www.naburnschool.com/e-safety-parent-information/e-safety-quick-reads-for-christmas>

TT Rockstars

Great work Year 3 who won last week's battle against Year 6. We are in the middle of a battle between Year 5 and Year 6 that finishes on Christmas Day. Then we will start the holiday!

House Winners and Stars of the Week!

Well done **Perseverance** for being House attendance champs and overall House winners. Also well done to all our Stars of the Week and TTRockstars!

Attendance figures

- This week's School Attendance W/C 18/12/23 = 74.68% - Unauthorised absence = 2.58%
- Last week's School attendance W/C 11/12/23 = 74.48 - Unauthorised absence = 5.15%
- Whole School Attendance School Year to date = 87.22% - Unauthorised absence = 2.60%

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

We all wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! **UNS!!!!!!**

Best wishes



Jonathan Green
Headteacher

Safeguarding

If you have significant concerns for the welfare of a child, in addition to being able to contact Mr Green, Mrs Burton or Mrs Noble 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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