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NEWSLETTER 6 - 9th December 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your support during these busy few weeks leading up to the Christmas Holidays. Please see below for dates for the remaining events.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Thank you for coming to our Christmas Fair. It was great to see the children and families having such a lovely time. We raised a fantastic £900.

We would like to thank the following companies for their support with raffle prizes: Ye Olde Bell, Playwell Corner, Boots, AW Bacons & Sons, Rand Farm, Morrisons, Nirvana Beauty Lounge, Retford Angling Supplies and Premier PE. Also a big thank you to Jewsons for supplying the materials for Mrs Marshall's Christmas tree game and Michelle for running her 'Crazy Catch' game.

A big thank you to everyone that supported this and made it a wonderful event.

CHRISTMAS PLAYS

I have been enjoying listening to the children practicing for their Christmas plays, they all sound wonderful! We look forward to welcoming you into school over the next couple of weeks to watch your child/children. Please see the diary dates below for a reminder of the days and times of the performances. Up to 4 family/friends can come and watch the play (if you are separated then 2 each please) but if you particularly would like to bring more adults this is also fine -tickets are not needed and there is no charge.

NATIVITY PHOTOS

We will be displaying the nativity photos at the performances. These are available to purchase via Parent Pay (£4 for one and £6 for two).

CHRISTMAS PARTY DAY

Wednesday 17th December is Christmas Party Day and the children can come to school in 'party' clothes for the whole day but please bear in mind that they will be playing outside in whatever they wear. Party food will be provided by school. If your child has particular allergies or intolerances, please speak to your child's class teacher about whether you would like to provide your own party plate of food or are happy for your child to have a suitable party plate from school.

VISIT TO ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH

On Thursday 18th December the children from Oak, Willow and Rowan classes will visit St Michael's Church on Bridgegate. Parents are welcome to meet us there at 10:00 for a short service.

Oak, Willow and Rowan classes will be having Christmas Dinner. If your child does NOT want one, please let the office know by Monday 8th December. Children who normally attend Nursery Lunch Club on Thursdays are welcome to have a Christmas Dinner also. If your nursery child usually has sandwiches, please let the office know by Monday 8th December if they would like a dinner instead that day.

PREMIER EDUCATION CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ACTIVITY CLUB AT HALLCROFT

Advance notice, Premier PE will be running a Christmas holiday club at school on the 22nd and 23rd December 9:30am - 3:30pm. For HAF places (for children eligible for Free School Meals) please use the link below to book a place for your child:

<https://eequ.org/book/hallcroft-holiday-camp-with-multi-sport-pro-premier-education-20628>

Parent funded places are also available -please see the booklet sent via email for information about how to book a place.

SPRING TERM CLUBS

Please contact the office if you would like your child to take part in either of the clubs below. All clubs will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Club	Day	Cost	Times	Open to:	Availability
Drumming Club	Monday (starting 12 th Jan- 23 rd Mar inclusive)	Free	3:20- 3:50pm	Reception & Year 2 (Oak & Rowan)	20 spaces
Art Club	Tuesday (starting 6 th Jan)	Free	3:20- 4:30pm	Year 1 (Willow)	8 spaces
Gym Club	Tuesday (starting 6 th Jan- 10 th Feb inclusive)	Free	3:00- 3:45pm	Reception (Oak)	20 spaces
Sports Club	Wednesday (starting 7 th Jan)	£3 (Please pay cash to Michelle) Or free for children eligible for FSM.	3.20- 4.30pm	All year groups (Oak, Willow & Rowan)	30 spaces
Premier PE Club	Thursday (starting 8 th Jan)	Free	3.20- 4.30pm	Year 1 & Year 2 (Willow & Rowan)	15 spaces



For Sports Club & PE Club - you must send your child with a separate sports kit and trainers.

DIARY DATES

Nursery Christmas play	Wednesday 10 th December 9:15am
Oak Christmas play	*change of date* Monday 15 th December 9:00am
Willow Christmas play	Monday 15 th December 2:30pm
Rowan Christmas play	Tuesday 16 th December 9:00am
Christmas party day	Wednesday 17 th December
Visit to St Michael's church	Thursday 18 th December Oak, Willow & Rowan (parents welcome)
Christmas dinner	Thursday 18 th December
Rhubarb Theatre visit school	Friday 19 th December (Oak, Willow & Rowan)
Break up for Christmas Holidays	Friday 19 th December
Inset Day - school closed	Monday 5 th January
Children return to school	Tuesday 6 th January
Eat the Rainbow Healthy Eating Workshop	Thursday 22 nd January (Rowan)
	Thursday 5 th February (Willow)
School Disco	Thursday 12 th February
I Love You Day	Friday 13 th February
Visit to Torworth Gym	Friday 13 th February (Willow & Rowan)

We like to give dates in advance but please be mindful that they may need to be changed.

We are looking forward to another busy year and please rest assured that we will continue to do our very best for your children.

Jo Cook

Mrs Cook

Head Teacher