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# NEWSLETTER 06 - 19TH DECEMBER 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to see so many of you in school over the recent weeks, the children have enjoyed sharing their Christmas plays and church services with you all.

# READING/PHONICS

As you know teaching our children to read is very important and a key part of reading is phonics. Therefore we would like to invite you all to come and watch staff teach phonics to your child on:

Full Time Children Phonics Lesson with Parents Thursday  $9^{th}$  January at 9.00am Nursery Children Phonics Lesson with Parents on Friday  $24^{th}$  January at 9.00am and 12.30pm (only come to one session)

These sessions will enable you to help your child at home. We will also talk to you about how we are starting to link reading books to the children's phonics knowledge and how this might make the reading book your child brings home a little bit different.

We are also having Reading training for staff in school on Tuesday  $7^{th}$  January. This will involve teachers and TA's meeting at 2.45pm so I would be very grateful if you pick up your child early on that day. If this is not possible due to work commitments I will look after your child and you will need to collect them from Willow Class

Tuesday 7th January please collect all children at 2.45pm.

# **UNIFORM**

At the start of the New Year please make sure all your child's uniform is named, this helps us to return it to you. School shoes must be black and we appreciate your support in following our uniform guidelines.

#### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Club	Day	Cost	Times	Open to:	Availability
Sports Club	Wednesday	£3.00	3:20-4:30 pm	Full time	30 spaces
Doncaster Rovers	Thursday (9 <sup>th</sup> January - 13 <sup>th</sup>	Free	3:20-4:30 pm	Year 2	25 spaces
- Ball Games	February)		·		·
Gym Club	Tuesday (7 <sup>th</sup> Jan - 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb)	Free	3:00 - 4:00 pm	Year 1	20 spaces

Gym Club on Tuesday 7th January will finish at 4:00 pm.

All clubs will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please remember to inform the office if your child is not staying for any clubs they have signed up for, apart from Sports Club where you need to tell the office each week if your child is staying.

## COMMUNICATION



It is vital that you ensure school has up to date contact details for parents/carers, in particular if you change your mobile phone number, please let Mrs Bower know straight away.

We will always try our best to remind you about events via the texting service. However when we forget please don't complain at the office as we are human too!!

## **PAYMENTS**

It would be appreciated if you could pay for Breakfast Club/Lunch Club in advance. It is much less time consuming for the office staff if they don't have to chase you for money. Many thanks for your help with this.

# DIARY DATES

Last day of term
Inset Day (school closed)
First day of term
Year 1 & 2 Dance Festival - Elizabethan
NSPCC Assembly for children
NSPCC Parents online safety workshop
Valentines Disco
Break up for half term

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February - 2:15 pm
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February - letter to follow
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and Happy 2020.

Joanne Cook Head Teacher