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## **NEWSLETTER 06 - 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022**

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **CHRISTMAS FAIR**

It was great to see the children and families having such a lovely time. We raised a massive £400.

We would like to thank the following companies for their support with raffle prizes: Doncaster Rovers, Morrisons, Captain Jacks, Retford Angling Centre and Daydream Desserts.

### **AFTERSCHOOL CLUB**

Please make sure that you book your places at the After School club. Unlike Breakfast Club places will be limited due to staff ratios. **If you want your child to attend on the first week back in January then you need to book and pay by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec.** If you need a booking form we emailed one with the last Newsletter or we have some in the office.

### **FOOD HUB**

Bags remain at £2.50 but Fare Share food remains in short supply so we will continue with families only - it is fine for grandparents to shop if they are picking up and shopping instead of the parent. Opens at 3pm.

**Our Food Hub will be open on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm and there will also be Food Hubs (£3 per bag) at The Grove Church at 1pm on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Fri 30<sup>th</sup> December.**

We are very grateful to have had support from the Rotary Club and Aldi in Retford - they have enabled us to add some more basics to what is on offer at the food hub and to support us with setting up on our own.

### **CHRISTMAS PLAYS**

Each class will perform their own Christmas play. See dates below. Up to 4 family/friends can come and watch the play (if you are separated then 2 each please) - tickets are not needed and there is no charge. If you would particularly like to bring "extras" please speak to Mrs Cook. We will be selling the nativity photos at the performances; £4 for one photo or £6 for two photos.

### **CHRISTMAS PARTIES**

On your child's Christmas Party day they 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 please speak to your child's class

teacher about what they can eat.

### **GOVERNOR VACANCIES - PLEASE HELP**

All local authority schools have a Governing Body. The Governing Body supports me to make sure that the school is offering the best possible education for the children. Governors act as "critical friends"/sounding boards for me. We advertised for parents to join our Governing Body but unfortunately no one put themselves forward. We have 3 vacancies and I would really value having input of more parents on the board so please would you consider becoming a member of the Governing Body. It involves three meetings a term - two are during the school day and one is at 5pm. They are approximately 2 hours. You do have to read some paperwork before the meeting and sometimes fill in a survey etc. If you think you might be interested and would like to know a little bit more please catch me on the playground or give me a ring. The other Governors are very friendly and are keen to have more parents on the team.

**Please make sure all monies (including any outstanding amounts) for this term and for the first week back in January (just Thurs & Fri) are paid by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December.**

### **DIARY DATES**

Friday 9 December	Last Parent & Toddler Group before Christmas
Tuesday 13 December	9.15am Acorns (Nursery) Christmas Play - afternoon children to attend in the morning
Tuesday 13 December	2pm Willow Christmas Play
Wednesday 14 December	Rhubarb Theatre Story Teller - Oak, Willow and Rowan Classes
Wednesday 14 December	9.15am Oak Christmas Play
Thursday 15 December	Church Service
Thursday 15 December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 16 December	9.15am Rowan Christmas Play
Monday 19 December	Rowan & Willow Christmas Parties
Tuesday 20 December	Acorns & Oak Christmas Parties
Wednesday 21 December	Last day at school
Wednesday 4 January	Inset Day - school closed
Thursday 5 January	First day back at school

*Reminder: we have some preloved school uniform (lots of trousers, skirts etc) and shoes so please ask at Reception. Uniform does not have to have the school logo on or be new!*

*Food Hub runs every Friday in Term Time at 3pm - £2.50 per bag.*

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to email me or the class teachers.

Joanne Cook  
Head Teacher