



Dear Parents,

### **Basketball Champions!!**

**Congratulations to our Y5/6 basketball team who won both the friendly matches with Harby and the Vale Tournament this week. Well done to Zac, Oliver, Joseph, Scarlett, Willow and Ned. You were sooooo amazing and I'm very proud of you all. Thanks again to Neil Atkins who ran training sessions and who coached the team at the events and to Andy Wing for his coaching sessions during lessons. Thanks also to the parents who helped with transport; I know you were well-entertained!! A real team effort.**



### **News from Classrooms**

#### **Class 1:**

Class 1 have talked about advent and the Christmas story this week. They started making decorations to decorate the classroom, with the home corner now transformed into Santa's Workshop! They have also been writing about arctic animals.

#### **Class 2:**

This week, Class 2 have started the Snowman story and the children created their own diaries. They also created some beautiful snowflake descriptions and worked really hard on reading comprehension too! In art the children created Santa's toyshop display – we even received a special visit from a naughty elf!

#### **Class 3:**

In Class 3 this week, the children have been learning about human development, from infancy to old age. They also finished planning their myths and non-chronological reports, ready to write them.

### **Thank You from the Smith Family**

Tia Bond asked us to extend a huge thank you to everyone for their donations and offers of help this week following the fire which damaged their home. It has been very much appreciated. They have been over-whelmed with support.

**Plea** - If anyone has any storage boxes they can lend the family that would be a great help. Please contact either Tia directly or the school office and we will pass on details. Thank you.

### **Panto Trip**

In order to make things easier for the kitchens, all children will now require a packed lunch on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December to eat before we leave for the Panto.

The panto trip payments are now due. Please ensure you return permission slips/payments a.s.a.p. Thank you.

### **Miss Muitt**

It is Miss Muitt's last day next Thursday. We would like to say a big thank you to her for all her hard work in Class 1 this term. It has been a pleasure working with her and we wish her all the best as she continues her final year of studies. We will see her again when she completes some of her research work in the spring.

Unfortunately, Mr Williams is unlikely to return before Christmas. We are hoping to have him back for the start of the new term. We will continue to ensure the best provision is in place for Class 1 and I'd like to thank you all for your support and warm wishes for Mr Williams during this time.

### **Class 2 & 3 PE**

Class 2 & 3 will be doing hockey with wooden sticks in PE lessons until Christmas. As with all invasion sports, if you would like to provide your child with shin pads and gum shields, please do so.

### **Redmile Cinema returns for Christmas!**

'Home Alone'

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December

St Peters Church, Redmile

6.30pm (doors open at 6pm)

Soft drinks and refreshments on sale

Tickets Adults £4.50 / Children £3.50

To book tickets, contact Peggy Alcock

email [p.alcock@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:p.alcock@yahoo.co.uk) or 'phone 07917 550 685

### Sports Club

There will be no after school sports club on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December, due to the panto and other school activities. Early morning sports club will continue during the last week of term as normal.

### Message from Darren Bicknell

Belvoir Cricket & Countryside Trust seeks to influence children's lives through sport and outdoor learning experiences and engages with over 2,700 primary and special needs children every year, running Cricket & Countryside Education Days, taking kwik and table cricket into mainstream and special schools and running 7 Belvoir Bees junior cricket coaching venues. Longer term we have ambitious plans to develop an indoor school at Knipton cricket ground to deliver courses year round, whatever the weather! Please see our video at [www.bcctrust.org.uk](http://www.bcctrust.org.uk)

A new lottery set up by Melton Lottery will help us with fundraising. It enables people to buy a £1 lottery ticket weekly with the chance to win £25,000. 50% of the money goes to the BCCT, with better chances of winning than the National Lottery or the Health Lottery! <https://www.meltonlottery.co.uk/support/belvoir-cricket-and-countryside-trust> Thank you for your support and good luck!

*Darren Bicknell*

### Barkestone News

#### St Peter & St Paul, Barkestone

Saturday 3rd December - 10am-12.30pm

#### Church Café & Decoration

Christmas Surprise Tombola, make crackers & paper chains and decorate the Church and Christmas Tree.

Sunday 4th December @ 2.30pm

#### Merry Messy Church

Mulled Wine, Mince Pies & Christmas Biscuits, Christmas crafts for all. Shepherds & Angels Dress Code (Optional!). Meet Santa and receive a Gift. All proceeds to the Children's Society

### Letter going home this week

Class I open session  
Christmas show details

### Reminders for next week

Christmas dinner Tuesday  
Christingle Service 9.15am Redmile Church

Yours sincerely,

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Executive Headteacher



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