



Dear Parents,

### Christmas Performance

Thank you for joining us this week for the start of our Christmas festivities. I'm sure you'll agree, each child had a chance to shine and they performed beautifully. The lively songs and heart-warming messages have set us up wonderfully for the festive season. Well done to everyone and thank you to all staff for their hard work in getting the children ready to perform. I was a very proud Head teacher.

Thank you to all those who passed on messages of thanks and appreciation; it meant a lot to all of us.

The collection for St. Peter's Church raised a marvellous £195.54. Thank you.

### Christmas Cards

The Redmile post-box is out and ready to be filled with Christmas cards to give to one another. Please check that your child writes on the envelope: the full name of the person the card is for, the name of the class that this person is in and to write their own name inside in the card!! You'll be amazed how many children receive a card and they have no idea who it is from!!

### Message from School Council

We'd like to keep the Christmas celebrations going next week, with a few fun ideas for us to join in with.

**Tuesday:** Bring a bear day (dressed festively if possible!)

**Wednesday:** Christmas jumper day (or something festive)

**Thursday:** Christmas party. Wear your party clothes all day

**Friday:** Pyjama Day (we thought everyone might be feeling tired by Friday!! Slippers can be worn inside and if children don't have PJs, they could wear a dressing gown over their clothes or just bring a blanket to wrap round themselves.)

On the last week:

**Monday:** Panto day so wear a Christmas hat or headband

**Tuesday:** Non-uniform day for Games day

**Wednesday:** Non-uniform day for Redmile's Got Talent.

These are our suggestions so if your child doesn't want to take part, then that is ok; they could just wear their school uniform as normal.

Thank you.

School Council

### Dark Nights

Now that the dark nights are here, please be especially vigilant of your child's whereabouts if they are outside without an adult. Please remind them about 'stranger danger' and what you would want them to do if they were worried. Does your child know, for example, their address and home telephone number? Perhaps their own high-viz jacket might be an ideal Christmas present from a family member struggling to know what gift to get them?

### Panto Trip

Just a reminder that all payments for the panto trip should be in by Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.

### School Dinner Change

As the school Christmas dinner is next Wednesday, there will be a change to the menu on Tuesday, from turkey to sausages. All other items on that day stay the same.

A very generous parent has kindly offered to bring in Christmas crackers for the children on Christmas dinner day. Due to the small parts in crackers, if you don't wish your child to have one, please let us know.

### December Services at St. Peter's Church Redmile

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Dec Holy Communion 10.30am

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec Carol Service 6pm

All welcome

### Head Lice

We are STILL getting reports of head lice. Please continue to check your child's hair; I would recommend doing this DAILY so that we can eradicate them as soon as possible. I would advise all children to have their hair tied back, including boys if their hair is long enough. If lice are found (and they are difficult to spot as they are able to camouflage themselves very well) then using LOTS of hair conditioner and a fine comb works really well and is an alternative to the chemical solutions which eventually the lice can become immune to.

### Christingle Service

We would like to remind you that the Christingle Service is being held next Wednesday, 9.15am at Church. We hope you are able to join us.

### Governor News

On behalf of the whole school community, I'd like to say a special thank you to Lisa Shores who has stepped down as Parent Governor after contributing 5 years of dedicated time to the role. Her work on our Health and Safety Committee and as governor representative on the Viking Challenge Committee has been especially commendable and I'd like to express real appreciation for all she has done for our school.

### Letters sent home this week:

Parent Governor vacancy letter

Yours sincerely,

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Executive Head teacher

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