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Friday 21st November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Another great week in school, although unfortunately we had to close on Thursday due to the weather. Please remember to send your child to school with a coat & hat/gloves if needed. Next week the lunch menu is following week 2 please see attached to your email Miss Williams Class won the attendance this week with 95%, they celebrated with the box of maltesers to share!

Christian Distinctiveness

Thank you to everyone who sent donations for children in need last week. Together we had a fun day and raised a wonderful £123.30. 'Community, Compassion & Friendship' are our core values, which are at the heart of everything we do.

Year 2 Swimming Lessons

Due to Mr Jackson's class missing two of their planned lessons we have decided to let them have one more season on Thursday 27th November. This means that Miss Haldenby's first swimming lesson will now be on Thursday 4th December, their last season will still be on Thursday 12th February. This is then fair to both classes who will have had nine lessons each.

School Absence - Legal Requirements

If your child is not going to be in school, it is important that you contact the school office before 09:00 with full details of your child's illness/symptoms or reason for absence. If we do not hear from you, we will ring you to find out why your child is not in school. If we are unable to contact you or your emergency contacts to establish the reason for absence by 10am a home visit will be required. If when we visit your home we are still unable to make contact a welfare call has to be made to North Yorkshire police. The north yorkshire police service will then try to make contact to ensure you and your family are safe and well. It is a legal requirement that we have accounted for all children on our register each school day (including Nursery children). Please help us by simply letting us know! You can do this by leaving a voicemail, speaking to a member of staff, filling in an absence form or by sending an email. Thank you for your support and understanding. If you have any questions or would like further information please speak to your child's class teacher or phone the school office.

Christmas Fair - Friday 5th December 3.10pm-4.30pm

We are in the process of planning a very special Christmas Fair again this year with lots of wonderful prizes and stalls.

The fair will take place in the school hall and Reception / Nursery classes. Stalls and activities will be as follows:

- Santa's Grotto will be in the Nursery classroom.
- The bottle tombola, raffle stall, cakes, hotdogs and refreshments will be in the school hall. We
 welcome gifts of cakes and buns on the morning of the 5th December.
- Christmas decorations, reindeer food bags, face painting and many other festive games and activities will take place in both the Reception classrooms.

Reminder - Non-Uniform Day

Friday 28th November will be a non-uniform day in school and we ask all pupils if they can 'Bring a Bottle' for our Christmas Fair Tombola. We welcome bottles of shampoo, bubble bath, wine, sauce, spirits, soft drinks etc. (unopened bottles only please). Please give any bottles of alcohol to members of staff or to the school office. Thank you for your support.

Christmas Fair Raffle Tickets

We have some amazing prizes this year for our Christmas raffle. Prizes include a super Christmas Hamper worth £50, two children's scooters, a pamper hamper, children's games, toys and much, much more. Tickets cost £1 each and the prizes will be drawn at 4.20pm during the Christmas Fair. Please complete the raffle ticket sheet and return to school in an envelope with the correct money if you would like to buy tickets in advance of the Fair.

Christmas Production Tickets

Tickets for your child's Christmas Production will be available from Monday 24th November at 3.05pm. You will need to collect them from your child's class teacher. We can issue three tickets to each family initially. If you would like more tickets please ask your child's teacher and they will add your request to a wish list (we will try but these are not guaranteed and can only be given out once all children have their three ticket allocation). If parents are separated, we can give three tickets to each parent if required. Please understand we have to do this because of the size of our hall and to ensure that we meet health and safety standards. A recording of each performance will be uploaded onto the school website so you are able to share it with extended family and friends.

Nursery News

This week in Nursery we have been singing the rhyme 'Baa baa black sheep.' We also thought about the rhyming words, sheep-jeep and wool-bull. In P.E we have been practising our balances again. As the weather has been cold, snowy and rainy we have been talking about Winter.

Reception News

This week Reception have been exploring the story of Little Red Riding Hood. We have enjoyed drawing different characters from the story and re-enacting the story in our role play area. In Maths we have continued to explore parts and the whole. In RE we have learnt about the Christmas story. We have also enjoyed learning our songs ready for our Nativity in a few weeks.

Year One News

In Literacy this week we have been telling the story 'Funnybones'. In maths we have been looking at 2D and 3D shapes. In RE we have been thinking about how Christians might show they love God and have written prayers saying what they are thankful for. In History they have been thinking about their memories and have created a memory jar containing some of their favourite memories. They have also begun learning the songs for the Year 1 Nativity.

Year Two News

Year two have been reading a new story in literacy called 'White Night Farm'. They are planning a diary entry. They have started adding and subtracting two digit numbers in maths. In science they have been testing how materials can change. In RE they have retold the Christmas story and in PSHE they have been continuing to look at relationships, focusing on circles of trust. Nativity practice has also started!

Remember we are here to help however we can, if you have any concerns or questions please just ask.

Best Wishes
Mrs Angela Clark & Mrs Hannah Stubbs
Co-Headteachers

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Diary Dates - Please keep these dates safe for your information (more dates will be added as they arise).

November

Thursday 27th November - First swimming lesson for Miss Haldenby's class Thursday 27th November - Year 2 visit St John's Church (Christmas Labyrinth) Friday 28th November - Non-Uniform Day (bring a bottle for the Christmas Fair)

December

Monday 1st December - Storytelling Worship Time from St John's Church Tuesday 2nd December - Nursery new starters 'Stay and Play Session' 1.30-2.30pm Wednesday 3rd December - Nursery new starters 'Stay and Play Session' 1.30-2.30pm Thursday 4th December - Reverend Phil leads Collective Worship Friday 5th December - School Christmas Fair 3.10pm-4.30pm Monday 8th December - Year 1 Christmas production 1.30pm Tuesday 9th December - Year 1 Christmas production 9.30am Tuesday 9th December - Year 2 Christmas production 1.30pm Wednesday 10th December - Year 2 Christmas production 9.30am Wednesday 10th December - A group of Reception children to visit Filey Fields Court Wednesday 10th December - Nursery & Reception Christmas production 2pm Thursday 11th December - Nursery & Reception Christmas production 9.30am Monday 15th December - Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Party 1pm Tuesday 16th December - Christingle Service at St John's Church Tuesday 16th December - Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day Wednesday 17th December - Year 1 and Year 2 Panto Trip to Scarborough Spa

Thursday 18th December - Nursery and Reception visit The Stephen Joseph Theatre

Wednesday 17th December - Nursery & Reception Christmas Party 1pm

Friday 19th December - School Closes