

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

WOW! Such a wonderful week in school, with Christmas parties, Christmas Lunch, Christingle Service and Theatre trips! An amazing week thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

Today we gave all our 100% attendance children their special treat! Remember we do this every term so there are more chances for children to achieve this prize. When we return to school the lunch menu will be following week 2, please see attached to your email.



### **Christian Distinctiveness**

This week we enjoyed a Christingle Service at St John's Church with Reverend Phil and looked around all the beautiful trees in the Christmas tree festival.

A massive thank you to our Filey Friends: The Spiritual Center of Love & Light for their generously donated Christmas presents and Filey Parish for their wonderful Christmas food bags, we have been able to share these gifts with many of our pupils and their families.

'Community, Compassion & Friendship' are our core values, which are at the heart of everything we do.

### **Arbor will replace Parent Hub and Parent Pay**

From March 2026, Parent Hub and Parent Pay will no longer be available as we have come to the end of the contracts. We will be replacing all functions with Arbor which can be accessed either through the mobile or tablet app or through the portal on your laptop or computer.

We started using Arbor in the Summer Term for digital storage across Ebor Academy Trust and staff are finding it very user friendly. We will be using Arbor platform, alongside Parent Pay, for all our other communications, payments and bookings.

The staff in our school office have undergone training on this new Arbor platform and will be more than happy to help you with it. From the 19th of January we will be using Arbor to communicate with Parents instead of Parent Hub.

From the 9th March we will also be using Arbor to take payments, organise trips and clubs instead of using ParentPay. Further details will be sent out nearer the time.

A link to register and download the Arbor App will be sent to all parents and carers via Parent Hub in January.

### **Elf Academy**



**Family Learning & Family Reading Clubs**

Family Learning will restart straight away after the Christmas holiday on Wednesday 7th January 2026. Family Reading clubs will start again the week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

**PE Club**

PE club will start again on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025 for Reception children this time round.

Thank you for your continued support, we are here to help however we can, if you have any concerns or questions please just ask.

We wish everyone a very happy Christmas and all the very best for 2026.

Best Wishes

Mrs Angela Clark & Mrs Hannah Stubbs

Co-Headteachers

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

**January 2026**

Tuesday 6th January - School Reopens

Thursday 8th January - Reverend Phil leads Collective Worship

Thursday 8th January - After school PE club starts for Reception children

Thursday 8th January - Miss Haldenby's class swimming lessons resume

Monday 12th January - Wonder Time lunch group starts again

Monday 12th January - Open the Book Collective Worship

Monday 19th January - Major Geoff leads Collective Worship

Thursday 22nd January - Reverend Phil leads Collective Worship

Monday 26th January - Last Wonder Time for year 1

**February**

Thursday 5th February - Reverend Phil leads Collective Worship

Friday 6th February - Miss Williams' class Poetry Assembly 9am

Thursday 12th February - Last swimming lesson for Miss Haldenby's class

Friday 13th February - Miss Wither's class Poetry Assembly 9am

Friday 13th February - School Closes for Half Term

Monday 23rd February - School Reopens

Thursday 26th February - Miss Ring's class start swimming lessons



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