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Dear parents/carers,

Thank you for the kind comments we have received about the new parentapp. If you haven't yet accepted your invitation to join the app then please do. It's a quick and useful way for us to send out letters and dates can be added straight to your phone's calendar.

Christmas Jumper Fridays!

Every Friday in December your child is invited to wear a Christmas jumper **with their school uniform**. We have set up a Just giving page for Save the children, if you feel you are able to donate then please [click on the link](#).

Christmas Lunch

Our Christmas lunch is on Thursday 15th December, please book your child's lunch **no later than** Friday 9th December. The only option on that day is Christmas Dinner (Including vegetarian option) with chocolate Christmas puddings. If you have not booked by that date then we will assume your child will bring their own packed lunch. Thank you to those that have already booked.

Christmas Cards

From next week your child can bring Christmas cards into school. The post box will be in the hall entrance and children can post their cards in there. Our year 6 post Elves will sort the delivery on Friday 9th December and Thursday 15th December and distribute them to the classes on these two days. Please make sure all cards are **clearly labelled** with the **name and class of the child** they are being sent to. Unfortunately, we can't give out class lists to parents.

Christingle Service

Please ensure you bring any required inhalers/medication that your child needs to the Christingle service.

Photographs/Video

If you choose to photograph or film school events then the school is not responsible under data protection legislation for photographs taken for personal use by parents, carers and their relatives during school events such as Christmas plays and sports days. However, we request parents not to share photographs of their children taken at these events on social media if they include other pupils. This is because it may not be appropriate that such images are shared. This may be because, by personal choice, parents do not wish photographs of their children to appear on social media or it may be for reasons of child protection about which other parents would not be aware. We would also expect that if during such an event a parent requests another parent not to take a photograph of their child that those wishes are respected. Please help us to keep all of our children safe in an ever changing and progressive world of technology. Our Privacy notice can be found on our website.

2023 Admissions

Children born between 01/09/2018 and 31/08/2019 are entitled to start full time Primary Education in September 2023.

The application facility opens on 15th November 2022 and closes at midnight on 15th January 2023. It is important that parents apply before the closing date. Please apply online via the portal.

Pre-school payments

Pre-school payments will increase from January 2023

£4.50 - 3yrs olds

£5.50 - 2yrs olds

Please note 30 hours funding codes must be given to the school the term before you require the childcare. If this is not in place then your child will only be eligible for 15 hours and the funding rate for those hours from January will be £4.50/£5.50.

These payments must be made within a fortnightly period. All fees must be cleared by the end of each term.

Breakfast & Cabin Club

Club bookings via Eduspot are now until the end of term.

All Tuesday cabin clubs are now full until the end of the year.

Please note we require breakfast and cabin club payments to be made within a fortnightly period.

All fees for both clubs and dinners must be cleared by the end of each term.

PTFA News

The **Christmas Shop is back again on Monday 5th December, and we are delighted that it's running in its old traditional format!** Children will shop the stalls in the school hall in their family groups, and will wrap the presents they choose with the help of our elves. **The Shop is now closed.**

For the first time in years we have produced a **school tea towel! Each child in the school has drawn their own portrait - and those of the teachers! - and we think it looks brilliant.** Dare we say it, the perfect gift for the loving relative in your child's life, and a lovely souvenir of their time in school.

Advance payments are available via Eduspot, each tea towel is £4, or you can buy 3 for £10. We expect delivery in early December.

As always we **have a fabulous raffle lined up, with a 1st prize of £100 cash, and a selection of other brilliant prizes:** to keep us warm this winter we've got vouchers for a free boiler service, a chimney service so we can keep the home fires burning, and a load of logs to put on the fires!

There's a Wanderlust necklace up for grabs, Boden vouchers, a free massage, and all sorts of great prizes. Tickets will be coming home in your child's book bags early next week, so please keep an eye out for them. **The raffle draw will be Friday 9th December.**

And finally! There is a super easy way to support the PTFA in fundraising for the school and that's simply shopping online! **We have both an Amazon smile account and an Easyfundraising account. There is no additional cost to you, if you just shop through the link - and share with your family and friends for them to do the same - we receive a donation on every transaction!**

Diary Dates

Christmas Shop: Monday 5th December

Reception & Yr1 Nativity: Thursday 8th December 2pm

Christingle Yr2-6: Thursday 8th December 6pm

Christmas dinner: Thursday 15th December

Last Day of term: Friday 16th December

First day of term: Tuesday 3rd January 2023