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Newsletter – 12th December 2023

Christmas is almost here and we're all very much in the Festive Spirit...

Christmas Film Night

Thank you to everyone who attended the Christmas Film Night last Friday. It was a truly lovely evening and everyone had a great time. We also raised £110.50 for school funds.

Children in Need

Thank you for supporting our various charity fundraising days that we've had in school recently. We raised £62.04 for BBC's Children in Need via our non-uniform day on Friday 17th November.

Christmas Jumper Day

Congratulations to our School Parliament who did a fantastic job of fundraising on Christmas Jumper Day last Thursday. They provided morning refreshments (hot chocolate and cakes) and also ran a craft stall at lunchtime to raise funds for Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day. An impressive £48.50 was raised in total.

The Poppy Appeal

The children did a great job of selling poppies at the school gate throughout early November and raised £28.60 for the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal.

Bags 2 School Collection

Thank you to everyone who brought in bags for our recent Bags 2 School Collection on 28th November. We raised an incredible £130 for school funds.

Christmas Lunch Day – Wednesday 13th December

Children will be having our usual Christmas turkey lunch with all the trimmings on Wednesday 13th December.

Christmas Nativity Performances – Friday 15th December – 2pm and 6pm

We will have two performances of our Christmas Nativity on Friday 15th December at 2pm and 6pm. Please come along to see the wonderful Christmas songs that the children have been working on with Mrs O'Neill. Santa's reindeer may also make an appearance!

The Hare and the Tortoise performance – Tuesday 19th December

Performers from the Buxton Opera House will be visiting us in school to perform The Hare and the Tortoise to all year groups. This will be followed by an acting workshop for the Juniors. The cost of the performance and the workshop have been paid for in full by our fundraising committee.

Christmas Party Day – Wednesday 20th December

There will be our usual games and festive celebrations (and maybe even a special visitor!) on the last Wednesday of term. Children can wear party clothes to school on this day.

Reminder re hats and gloves

Please remember to send children in with hats and gloves for the colder weather. Also, any gloves that you could donate to school would be much appreciated.

Spare school cardigans and jumpers

Any school cardigans or jumpers that your child has outgrown that you could donate to school would be gratefully received.

School Website

To see some of the fantastic activities that we've been doing in school, please look at the photos on the updated school website. Please navigate to 'Children' and then look at the Class Galleries and the Whole School Gallery.

Finally, we'd like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Diary Dates

Writing Club Y5/6 – Tuesday 19th December (last one) – **please note that Writing Club on Tues 12th December has been cancelled.**

Parents Evening – Tuesday 12th December

Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 13th December

Drama Club (Juniors) – Thursday 14th December (last one)

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Last day of Autumn term – Thursday 21^{st} December

INSET day – Monday 8th January

First day of Spring term – Tuesday 9th January