

Tuesday 7th November 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to what is a very busy and packed term. Christmas will be on us before we know it. We cannot wait to see you at the many events we have planned including:

- Christmas Fair
- Christmas Stay and Play
- EYFS/KS1 Nativity
- Key Stage 2 Carols around the tree
- Parents Evening/SEND reviews

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Halloween Stay and Play. The level of parental engagement was amazing and fantastic to see. Moving forward because of the numbers in school from a health and safety position we will split stay and plays into Early years/Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. We hope this will make this an enjoyable experience for everyone and enable us to run and resource stay and plays efficiently.

EYFS Relaunch Event

We have a relaunch of our EYFS outdoor provision on Friday but would also like to invite our community into school to see the developments we have made across this term to improve the provision for our children. We are open for a tour of school from 1 p.m. till 4 p.m. across Friday afternoon 10th November 2023. Please see our Facebook event and feel free to share with prospective parents.

If you or someone you know is looking for a Nursery or Reception place please pop along to see what we have to offer.

Meeting the Needs of all our Children

As you know we pride ourselves on being an inclusive school and we are always working to improve our provision for all children within school. As the media has highlighted over recent months the funding for SEND is stretched and we are trying to ensure we meet the needs of all of our children from the available resources in school. To this end we have changed the set up of our afternoons slightly in that we are running:

Year 1/2 (Mrs Howey) } Key Stage 1 Nurture Group (Miss Maddison)

Year 3/4 (Mrs Funnell) }
Year 5/6 (Miss McMullen/Mrs Wheatley) } Key Stage 2 Nurture Group (Mrs McCabe)

This enables us to run two small groups (no more than 8/9 children) where our children can access the interventions they need. They will still access the same curriculum as their peers however, it will be more practical and hands on to meet the needs of the individual children. Please note these groups are not static and children may move between nurture provision and the main class dependent on progress, change in need etc. We will notify parents if children are accessing nurture provision by letter.

For other children they will continue to access the planned curriculum as always.

On a morning, children will remain in their usual classes of:

Year 1 Miss Maddison

Year 2 Mrs Howey

Year 3 Miss Funnell

Year 4 Mrs Shand

Year 5 Miss McMullen

Year 6 Mrs Wheatley

This enables us to ensure we continue our drive in relation to basic skills. Across a morning, children will continue to access phonics interventions, spelling interventions, reading interventions and maths interventions run by Mrs McCabe and Miss Cox.

Diary Dates This Term

Fri 10 th Nov 2023	Non-uniform day- donations for Christmas Fair
Fri 17 th Nov 2023	Non-uniform day – children in need donations
Thurs 23 rd Nov 2023	Whole school photographs Year3/4 Class Assembly
Fri 1 st Dec 2023	PD Day- SCHOOL CLOSED
Fri 8 th Dec 2023	Christmas Fair from 1:30pm
Mon 11 th Dec 2023	EYFS Christmas Party
Tue 12 th Dec 2023	Y1&2 Christmas Party
Wed 13 th Dec 2023	Y3&4 Christmas Party
Thu 14 th Dec 2023	Y5&6 Christmas Party
Mon 18 th Dec 2023	EYFS/Ks1 Christmas performance
Tues 19 th Dec 2023	TOP 25
Wed 20 th Dec 2023	Team Treat (PM) Parents Evening (Face to face from 3:30pm)
Thurs 21 st Dec 2023	Christmas lunch for the children in school.
Fri 22 nd Dec 2023	Carols Around the Tree (from 1:30) *

w/c 25th December 2023 & 1st January 2024 - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Children return to school 8th Jan 2024



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Thank you for your continued support. Should you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us. As always, your views are important to us and your children's education is a partnership between us.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H L Templeton

Executive Headteacher



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