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Friday 9th December 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

A message from the Headteacher

Last night we celebrated a beautiful Advent service in Church which was led by all classes in Key Stage 2. It truly was a fantastic occasion which helped us to remember the true meaning of Christmas and the importance of coming together to make the world a better place. It was also an opportunity for our wonderful children to showcase all their talents, be it through dance, drama, prayer or music. Thank you to all who came and celebrated with us, to FOSJ for putting on refreshments and of course, to our talented and committed staff and pupils.

Dates for your diary

Monday 12th December 2016 - Choir singing at Bedford Care Home

Thursday 15th December 2016 - Key Stage 1 Nativity - 6.30pm (A separate letter with follow closer to the time)

Friday 16th December 2016 - Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 19th December 2016 - Year Reception visit to Haigh Hall: please send in payment if you haven't already done so

Monday 19th December 2016 - Key Stage 2 Party Day

Tuesday 20th December 2016 - Key Stage 1 Party Day

Wednesday 21st December 2016 - Break up for Christmas

Team points winners for this week are the Purple Parrots

This weeks' Superstars/Lunchtime Friday Top Table

A very big well done to the following children who have been making an extra special effort, been a credit to themselves and have earned the most team points for their classes this week. **As an added bonus 'Top Table' winners will earn an extra ten points for their team!!**

Reception - Tara Fox

Year One - Lexi Plimley

Year Two - Joseph Westby

Year Three - Ola Skrzypczynska

Year Four - Eve Earlam

Year Five - Jimmy Taylor McDermott

Year Six - Chloe Gotheridge

Extra Curricular Clubs and Sporting Fixtures for week beginning 12th December 2016

Monday - Year 3 football, Year 2 Messy Church

Tuesday - KS2 Choir, Knit and Natter for Years 3 and 4, KS1 Singing Club

Wednesday - Year 1/2 Tag Rugby

Friday - Art club for Years 3 and 4

Sports Results

Basketball

Many congratulations to the school Basketball team who took part in a finals afternoon on Wednesday. They finished the day in third place which meant that they finished third overall out of 73 teams that initially entered this term. This is a magnificent achievement and each player should be so proud of their performances. We certainly are! Many thanks to the Premier Sports coaches who supported the team and to 'head coach' Mrs Ganley. Well done Jack, Lewis, Holly, Scarlett, Charlie, Lily and Daniel.

World Gifts 'Jeans and Jumper' day

Next Friday we are holding a 'Christmas jumper and jeans' day in aid of Cafod World gifts. We are asking that all children pay £1.00 in return for wearing their non uniform with all monies going to support this very worthy cause.

Christmas holiday

School will close for Christmas on Wednesday 21st December 2016 and will re-open on Thursday 5th January 2017.

Car parking

This is a polite request to remind you not to park 'illegally' outside of school. This includes not parking on the yellow lines or directly in front of the school or parish land gates. There have been a few instances lately of cars pulling up in a rush and causing a hazard to other drivers, parents and most importantly, our children. Please be careful, many thanks.

Please 'like' our **FOSJ Facebook page** - The more shares, comments and likes we get the better our communication becomes - thanks.

FOSJ Bonus Ball: £25.00 Prize - Wednesday 7th December 2016 - Bonus Ball number 42 - lucky winner Wilem Morrow
Wednesday 30th November 2016 - Bonus Ball number 22 - lucky winner Joseph Marsh

A final thought

If you are going to do something then give it your best shot. That's all anyone can ask

Have a lovely weekend, Yours Sincerely,
Mr. Paul Ackers

