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Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

APSA Christmas Fair

Thank you to the APSA committee who organised a wonderful Christmas Fair, and thank you to all of you who attended and made it such a huge success. The fair raised a very impressive £1440, all which will go to enhancing the learning environment for your children in school.

Cross Country success

We are pleased to report that our children taking part in the district cross country competition did fantastically with three of them qualifying for the County Finals. Finlay Cronshaw, Sebastian Wraith-Lobley and Joshua Clements will be competing in the finals in Dalby Forest next March.

Pantomime visit

Children in Y2-Y6 will be visiting Harrogate Theatre next Tuesday 12th December. This will mean changes to the normal school routine

The school gates will open at 8:05am.

The bell for Y2-Y6 will be rung early at 8:15am

This is in order that we can leave promptly to get to Harrogate on time for the morning performance. Please note we will not wait for late comers.

Children will be provided with a drink and snack in the interval. They will eat their lunch on return to school at approximately 1:30pm. If you have already pre ordered a school packed lunch that will be waiting for your child, otherwise children will have to bring a packed lunch from home for that day. There will be no hot meals available for Y2-Y6 children and packed lunches cannot be ordered on the day.

Children should not bring sweets or money on this visit.

Children in Raindrops, Puddles, Sunshines and Y1, who are not going to the pantomime, will come to school at the regular time. But please note the four coaches going to the pantomime will be leaving from Rose Avenue so that this entrance will be somewhat busy on Tuesday.

Christmas Dinner

The school will be having its annual school Christmas dinner on Friday 15th December. Children who have pre ordered the Christmas meal will have their meal in two sittings, all children will have waiter service festive lunch.

Please note there are alternative no options available on this day and children cannot order a meal on the day. If you have not ordered a Christmas dinner you will have to provide a packed lunch for that day.

Staff Changes

At the end of this term we will be saying good bye to two of our teaching staff.

Mrs Thompson who currently job shares with Miss Newsome will be leaving as her family is relocating to the London area and for some strange reason she thinks that this might too long a commute. For the rest of this year her part time position will, be filled by Mrs Long. Mrs Long is a regular supply teacher working around school and parents may recognise her, the children certainly will. Mrs Long and Miss Newsome will continue to job share this post and class.

Also leaving us is Miss McCrea, who has decided that the time is right to go traveling, with a work permit in hand she is heading for Australia and will be there before we return to school. Miss McCrea's post has been filled by Mrs Turner who is a very experienced teacher, unfortunately her current school is unable to release her to start in this new post immediately after Christmas. So until Mrs Turner can start with us, which might not be until Easter, her post will be covered by Mrs Ford. Mrs Ford is well known to parents and families and knows the school very well.

November's Star of the Month- is Liam Green in Mr Ivel's class.

Yours sincerely

Miss O'Donnell