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Dear Parents / Carers,

It seems odd to think that we are already about to begin December and the annual 'long weekend' is already upon us, hence the Thursday newsletter!

Key Stage Two Disco

It was lovely to see so many of the children enjoying themselves at the disco earlier this week and we are pleased that these have been able to go ahead once again. I am aware that we received some calls on both Monday and Tuesday from people who had sadly missed the deadline on ParentPay. There are a number of factors why we have changed the way we operate after school events but because of the fact they need to be 'booked', we do ensure that we give quite a bit of notice (in this case, around two weeks) as well as subsequent reminders. We do absolutely appreciate that all of us (myself included!) can occasionally overlook these things due to a number of other 'life admin' tasks getting in the way. However, we are unable to accept late bookings. For future events, we will continue to provide plenty of notice as well as reminding the children.

Obviously, for these events to go ahead, we also require the support of our staff, many of whom attended both film nights and both of the discos. Many thanks to them for their time in organising, supervising and cleaning up afterwards!

Santa's Visit!

On Wednesday, the children received a surprise visit from Santa who came bearing gifts. We would like to thank him very much for taking time out of his very busy schedule to see us and would also like to thank Guisborough Town Council for getting in touch with him to arrange it all.

Year Four First Aid Training

Many thanks to one of our parents, Mr Herron, who kindly visited our Year Four children today to teach them some essential first aid skills. Not only did the children learn a great deal, they also thoroughly enjoyed taking part and developing their knowledge, understanding and awareness of first aid. A fantastic opportunity and experience.

Sports Hall Athletics

Congratulations to our Year Six Sports Hall Athletics team who competed on Wednesday. As you would expect, they showed fantastic ability and came runners up in the competition. Well done to all involved.

Christmas Service

This coming Tuesday 3rd December, Key Stage Two will be attending St Nicholas' Church for their Christmas Service from 1.30pm. As always, you will be most welcome to join us.

Also, our choir will be participating in the festival at the church the following day. Separate details have been shared with families of the children involved.

Reception Nativity

Just another reminder that this will be held at 2.15pm on the 12th December (and I cannot wait! Up until that point, I cannot even begin to think about Christmas but this performance always gets things started!).

Christmas Lunch

Just to reiterate that this will be on Tuesday 10th December where children will be invited to wear their festive jumpers into school. Bookings for this will close today.

The Annual Reindeer Run

We have antlers and red noses at the ready all set for the annual run in aid of Teesside Hospice on the last day of term! The sponsor forms will be with you shortly (but given the time of year, we will not be requesting sponsor money to be returned to school until the new year).

The Christmas Singalong

This year we will be holding the singalong as we have done since 2020 but it will be a tiny bit different. Instead of holding these over two evenings, we will just have one. This will hopefully increase the attendance and subsequently the atmosphere. I will also see if I can send out lyrics on email so parents and carers who may be unfamiliar with the words to join in too. The plan is to hold this at 5pm on Tuesday 17th December.

There appears to be something of a recurring theme through this week's newsletter..... I am sure that this will continue to be the case over the next couple of weeks!

Remember, school is closed to the children tomorrow and on Monday. I hope that you manage to enjoy a pleasant 'long weekend' and remember that if you need to confirm any bookings for next year, the dates will be 28th November and 1st December.

See you all on Tuesday!

Yours Sincerely

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