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Friday 25th November, 2016

Dear Parents,

Charity Christmas Light Event

Together with this letter you should receive a poster advertising an event in the village next Friday evening at cemetery Cottage from 7 p.m. Please do go along and support this excellent cause.

Children in Need

In addition to the £176 raised for this last week the staff also raised £88.50, making a total of £264.50. Many thanks to all of you for a great effort for a brilliant cause.

Christmas Fair Wednesday 14th December 2016 at 3.30 p.m.

We are looking forward to this annual event. Miss Beresford is in charge and I am sure we will have a great time and raise some useful cash at Christmas! If you would like to run a craft stall can you please let us know by returning the slip at the bottom of this letter. We are charging £5 for this. Also we have a special event on Friday 9th December – **Crazy Sock Day**. Children can wear their craziest socks and should bring in something for the tombola stall at the fair.

Hey ewe!! Years R, 1 and 2 Christmas production

This year children in Reception and Key Stage 1 will be performing a nativity play called "Hey ewe". This will take place on Thursday 15th December and Friday 16th December at 2 p.m. each day. Next week we will be sending out letters so you can request tickets. There will be a limit of two tickets per family for these performances due to the small size of our hall. Extra tickets may be available after 9th December.

Christmas Tree Service

This service will take place on Friday 2nd December. We are able to invite parents from children in Year 6 and Reception only. The youngest child and the oldest child in the school will be switching on the tree lights.

Attendance

This week the best attendance was in Year 3 with 98.7%. Well done! Overall attendance last week was 95.5%. Please note we are not authorising holiday absence except in the most exceptional circumstances.

Class	Attendance
Reception	90.7%
Year 1	93.3%
Year 2	95.3%
Year 3	98.7%
Year 4	95.8%
Year 5	98.1%
Year 6	96.4%

Achievement awards

a) *Good to be green*

These children stayed on green all week: Lacey Pearl, Olivia Hunt, Kyan Griffiths, Thomas Russell, Summer Gosling, Kala Cicek, Daisy Hibbitt, Roman Lovell, Callum Bowers, Keira Blackford-Frost, Flynn Dawson, Kasey O'Gorman, Zanas Johnson and Harrison Chenery. Well done!

b) Lunchtime awards

The following children were picked out by our midday staff as behaving particularly well: Libby Myles, Marley Doughty, Millie Full and Ellie-May Mitcham. Well done!

c) Learning awards

We awarded certificates for progress in lessons this week to: Phoebe Smith, Deacon Barnes, Maya Smith, Casey Gray, Verity Baines, Jack Ruff and Callum Ziya. Well done.

Parent consultation

A separate letter will go out on Monday regarding parent consultation which will be on 7th and 8th December. We have had an assessment week this week and the results of this will help you understand how well your child is doing and help teachers set targets with you. The appointments will start immediately after school each day.

Academy status consultation

A questionnaire was sent out last week following the DEMAT parent meeting. We have had a few responses, but we would appreciate more than you.

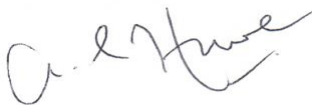
ESA CHRISTMAS JUMPER AMNESTY

There will be two boxes for donations of pre-loved Christmas Jumpers, one near lost property at the front of the school and one in the playground. If your child has grown out of their Christmas jumper please leave it in one of these boxes so that another child can have fun wearing it to school for Christmas Jumper Day on 16th December. The boxes will be in school for two weeks from Monday 21st November. If you would like a pre-loved jumper for your child/children please see ESA members Jo Smith or Kim Summers from Monday 5th December.

Dates for the diary

- Christmas Tree service – Friday 2nd December 2016 at 2 p.m.
- 7th and 8th December – parent consultation days.
- Tuesday 13th December at 10 a.m. – Christmas service at All Saints Church.
- Wednesday 14th December – Christmas Fair from 3.30 p.m.
- Thursday 15th December – Christmas Lunch.
- Nativity performances from Years R, 1 and 2 will be on Thursday 15th December and Friday 16th December at 2 p.m.
- Christmas Jumper day Friday 16th December in aid of Children in Need
- Elm School Association children’s disco on Monday 19th December.
- The Christmas holiday starts on Wednesday 21st December. We have a staff training day on Wednesday 4th January 2017. Children return to school on Thursday 5th January 2017.

Yours sincerely,



Headteacher

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Christmas Fair Craft Stall

Yes, I would like to run Craft Stall at the Christmas Fair on 14th December. I understand it will cost £5.

My idea for the stall is.....

Name.....

Contact number.....