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Friday 9th December, 2016

Dear Parents,

Parent consultation

Many thanks to all those parents who came to discuss their children's progress this week. I hope you found the appointments useful. If you were not able to get to a consultation evening, teachers are able to see you by appointment before the end of term. Please either see them at the end of school or call the office to make an appointment.

During the consultation evening parents were encouraged to complete questionnaires about the school's work. If you missed out on this, please request a form from the school office as soon as possible. Your feedback is very important to us. Thank you.

Christmas Lunch Day

Please note that on Thursday 15th December there will not be any sandwiches, jacket potatoes or pasta offered at lunchtime; our catering team will be preparing a delicious Christmas meal for us that day and there will no alternatives.

Lost Property

Just a reminder that any lost property left in the box at the end of term will be recycled; please come and have a look and reclaim any items.

'Hey Ewe' Production

Additional tickets have now been allocated. Numbers are limited due to the size of our hall. Apologies if you did not get all the tickets requested. No pushchairs, prams etc. are to be taken into the hall as walkways must be kept clear for our children to move around during the performance.

After School Clubs

All clubs have now finished except for Football which will finish on Monday 12th December.

Dinner Money

Please can you ensure that you send your child/children to school with dinner money in a sealed, named envelope every week or on the day lunch is taken. Dinner money must be paid in advance and not in arrears.

Attendance

This week the best attendance was in Year R and Y1 with 98%. Well done! Overall attendance last week was 96%. We will be working and learning right to the end of term so it is vital that your children have the best possible attendance right up to 20th December. Please note we are not authorising holiday absence except in the most exceptional circumstances.

Class	Attendance
Reception	98%
Year 1	98%
Year 2	93.7%
Year 3	95.8%
Year 4	95.8%
Year 5	97.4%
Year 6	92.9%

Achievement awards

a) *Good to be green*

Reece Barnes, Ella Woodbridge, Sophie Maycroft, Teigan Martin, Danny Rainford, Savanna Redworth, Tye Bryant-Hammond, Lily Raven, Jake Gibson, Oscar Rolfe, Keiran Walton, Ella-May Watson, Nell Hanlon and Gracie-Lee Reed. Well done!

b) *Lunchtime awards*

The following children were picked out by our midday staff as behaving particularly well: Lilly-Ella Warden, Jess Stoppard, Kasey O’Gorman and Anna Johnson. Well done!

c) *Learning awards*

We awarded certificates for progress in lessons this week to: Lacey Pearl, Jacob Wilshire, Annie Gooch, Ralphie Lloyd, Callum Clarke, Joshua Thacker and Oscar Drew. Well done.

d) *Pen licences*

Olivia Rolfe, Ben Flowers, Keiran Walton and Gracie-Jane Lloyd. Well done.

Christmas Fair Wednesday 14th December after school

Thank you to all those parents and children who put on crazy socks and sent in tombola prizes! Miss Beresford and her team are now asking for cakes for the big day. Please send them in with your child or leave at the school office. Thank you!

Christmas Jumper day: Friday 16th December

Don’t forget this event please. We are raising cash for the Save the Children Fund. Save the Children is a global charity based in this country which works to support children in poverty, children without education, children who are hungry, children who are the victims of emergencies and children with health needs. They are active in countries such as the Yemen and Syria where children are the innocent victims of great events. We are just asking for a £1 towards this wonderful work. I am looking forward to seeing some weird and wonderful jumpers! Thank you.



Save the Children
CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY

Dates for the diary

- Tuesday 13th December at 10 a.m. – Christmas service at All Saints Church. We look forward to seeing you there.
- Wednesday 14th December – Christmas Fair from 3.30 p.m. Please support this important fun and fundraising event.
- Nativity performances from Years R, 1 and 2 will be on Thursday 15th December and Friday 16th December at 2 p.m.
- Elm School Association children’s disco on Monday 19th December.
- We break up for the Christmas holiday on Tuesday 20th December and children should return to school on Thursday 5th January, 2017.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. E. Howe', written in a cursive style.

Headteacher