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**Headteacher Lynn Harrison**

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Dear Parents,

A huge 'thank you' to everyone involved in organising and running this year's Christmas Fair, and also to all of you who came and supported this lovely event. It was fantastic to see so many families in school at the weekend. We can confirm that the amount raised was £1100, plus a further £210 from the Wreath Making, which I am sure you will agree is a fabulous amount for a school of our size.

As the Christmas break approaches, we have Classes 2 and 3 performing their Christmas plays this week. We hope that Class 3 parents and families enjoyed yesterday's performances by the Class 3 pupils and that Class 2 parents and families are looking forward to their children performing their play tomorrow.

Next week Class 1 pupils will perform their Nativity in Church on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30pm. Parents and families of Class 1 pupils are warmly invited to attend.

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December we are holding our Christmas Lunch. If your child usually brings a packed lunch but would like to have a Christmas Lunch they are welcome to do so. There is a separate menu on the Arbor app for next week (Christmas Week Menu (Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025)), which shows **Christmas Dinner followed by pudding** for the Wednesday meal. Please can all Christmas Dinner meals be booked on the system before next Wednesday to avoid any issues booking a meal on the day.

Please also remember to add any meal choices to your basket when selecting them otherwise they will not pull through to the school management system.

As previously advised, all account balances on Arbor should be cleared or in credit by the end of next week.

On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December it is the children's Christmas party. Children can bring party clothes in a named bag and they will get changed after lunch. After lots of party games and some party food, we expect a certain visitor to arrive at 3pm. Parents may, if they wish to, watch this part of the afternoon and join us in the school hall just before 3pm. The school bus will be running as usual for those pupils who may require it.

We expect the party to finish at 3.30pm.

Just a gentle reminder that school closes for Christmas on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm and re-opens on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025. The bus company has been informed accordingly.

Looking ahead to the Spring Term, Class 1 pupils will start to have football with Rowan and will need to add joggers and a warm top/fleece to their PE kit when sending it back in after the Christmas break. All pupils will be sent home with their PE kits next week so that they can be washed and ready to be returned at the start of next term.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy Christmas and New Year thank all my staff and the parents for the valuable contribution they make to the school.

Yours sincerely

*Lynn Harrison*