



**Head Teacher: Mr. M. Piper    Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017**

**Dear Parent/Guardian,**

**School would like to make up a Food Bank Advent Calendar and would really appreciate your support. Each class is aiming to donate 25 goods to the Food Bank before we finish for the holidays. We would love each child, if possible, to donate any of the following items and bring it into school:**

**Urgently Needed:**

**Tinned Fruit (400gms), Savory snacks, tinned vegetables, tinned meat, biscuits, UHT milk, sweet snack, coffee and pasta sauce.**

**Other Typical Food Items to Include:**

**Breakfast cereals, soup, pasta, rice, pasta sauce, tinned beans, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, tea, coffee, sugar, biscuits or snacks.**

**We will then donate the items to Hartlepool Food Bank. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact Mrs Richardson. Thank you in anticipation.**

**Hartlepool & District Hospice have requested we sell Christmas toys for their charity. These are on sale from the school office priced £2.50.**

**REMINDER – All the After School Clubs which are run by the staff will finish week ending 8<sup>th</sup> December. A letter will be sent in January with details of the clubs which will be available for the Spring Term.**

**On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 3.15pm school will be hosting Carols around the Christmas Tree. All the children are involved in this performance. I would be grateful if your child could stay in school at the end of the school day until 4pm. If your child can not stay after school, please let the class teacher know. Everyone is invited to come along and warm mulled wine will be served prior to the performance.**

**On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December all pupils (Reception to Year 6) will be going to see Cinderella at Billingham Forum. A letter with all the details was sent home this week. It is important that you return the consent slip to school. If we do not receive it, your child will not be able to attend.**

**On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December the staff will be hosting a Story Telling Night for all our children. This event will take place straight after school until 4pm. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served free of charge. Could you please arrange to collect your child at 4pm instead of the usual 3.15pm. If your child can not stay for this event, please let your child's class teacher know.**

**The Nursery & Reception Christmas Party will take place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 1.10pm. Children can come to school dressed in their party clothes.**

**On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December Mrs Minton's ASC is having a Frozen Movie Sing-a-Long evening. Children can join in the songs whilst watching the movie. Your child can bring a frozen costume to change into at the end of the school day if they wish. The club runs from 3.15 to 5.15pm and costs £5 per child. This includes popcorn, drink, Frozen cake and sweets.**

**P.T.O.**

Tickets are now on sale priced at £1 for the KS1 performance of "A Midwife Crisis" on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm. Please put your name on the back of the ticket as this will also be your raffle ticket. Wine and mince pies will be served after both performances. Any donations of raffle prizes would be gratefully received. Thank you.

The Christingle Service will take place on Thursday 21st December at 10am at St. John the Baptist Church. All parents, grandparents and friends are warmly invited to this celebration and we look forward to seeing you all there. Children are bringing home a Christingle donation box next week, which needs to be assembled. I would be grateful if you could return this to school by Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. The Christingle donation boxes will be presented in church during the Service. All donations will go to the Children's Society to help needy children throughout the country.

Please ensure all dinner money, After School and Breakfast Club money is paid up to date before the end of term. Many thanks

School closes for Christmas on Thursday 21st December and re-opens on Monday 8th January 2018.

Yours faithfully,



Mr. M. Piper  
Head Teacher



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