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Dear Parents/Carers,

**December newsletter**

Two weeks to go, ten more school gets ups!

Once again thank you to all the parents and carers for their support these last few weeks. To hear the school has over £1,000 in commission to spend on books due to the generosity of our parent body and their spending at the book fair was amazing! You will be aware how hard we are working to restock the library, again generously supported by so many of our families.

I think most of you will be aware that we’ve had significant staff illness over the last 4 - 5 weeks that has meant lots of people ‘mucking in’ and helping out. I can assure you the impact on the children has been kept to an absolute minimum, but I do need to thank the staff who have been in school for going over and above to keep the school running.

For the Spring Term we have a few changes to teaching staff; Miss Whitehouse is leaving us to travel the world and we wish her the very, very best and ask that she keeps in touch from whichever far flung corner of the globe she visits. Mrs Lyons will return from maternity leave and will take Miss Whitehouse’s place in the Reception Team. Also joining the school initially until Easter is Mrs Melanie Webber, an experienced teacher having taught locally for a number of years. She will be teaching in both Dolphins and Meerkats classes and will meet the children next week.

I know parents have already received a list of Christmas dates but I will attach again just to keep you all up to date.

I would like to wish you all a Happy Christmas. Enjoy yourselves and we look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday 5th January 2022.

Mr Ed Whitehead

Headteacher.

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| **Date** | **Event / Activity** |
| 6th December | Vision Testing – Reception Classes |
| 8th December | Christmas jumper day  Reception height & weight – school nurses. Christmas dinner  Christmas Fayre 3.30-4.30pm |
| 9th December | Whole school Toy Sale for charity 8 - 8.45am  Reception open day 4-5pm |
| 14th December | Year 1 Nativity 9am-10.30am |
| 15th December | Nursery Performance 9-9.30am Reception Christmas sing-a-long 10am & 2pm |
| 16th December | Online Pantomime School visit to Church |
| 17th December | Nursery Christmas party |