



## PARENTS LETTER - 09/11/12

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Dear Parents

2 December 2011

### **CHRISTMAS FAYRE - TONIGHT!! - 2 December - 6.00pm to 8.00pm**

Please do remember that it is our Christmas Fayre tonight, and we are really hoping that you will be able to come and enter into the spirit of the evening. We know it is very cold and you might want to curl up in front of the TV - but please do come along as we are confident you will enjoy yourselves. There will be seasonal refreshments available to purchase - including hot and freshly carved roast turkey baps (with all the trimmings), locally made fresh sausage hotdogs, as well as home baked cakes, (*we sent out a text reminder asking for your kind donations of cakes yesterday!*) hot mulled wine, tea, coffee and juice - so you should soon warm up!

**The doors will open at 6.00pm prompt**

**Father Christmas will be ready and waiting for you!!**

Also available will be a wonderful raffle (available throughout the evening) - which will include all the Class Hampers - which look fantastic and will be well worth winning - as well as many other exciting prizes. There is also a cash prize to be won by one lucky person - kindly donated by the staff of the school. There are the ever popular Bottle Tombola and General Tombola stalls, Guess the Weight of the Cake, Books and DVDs, Toys, Fluffy Dip, craft stall, card stall, Christmas wreaths, face painting, hair spraying and tattoos. So come along and win or buy of your gifts - without the need for you to worry about the hassle of Christmas shopping in crowded Malls!!!

The School Choir will be singing to entertain you whilst you browse, enjoy a well-earned cup of tea or coffee and eat those fabulous cakes or hot turkey or sausage baps!

**SO – GET YOUR SKATES ON - LIKE SANTA – AND COME ALONG AND ENJOY YOURSELVES, AND HELP SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL**



# GENERAL SCHOOL INFORMATION

## 1 NATIVITY - "BORN IN A BARN"

This year we are allowing photographs and recordings the performances on Wednesday 7 December and Friday, 9 December - but **for your own use only**.

We **do not authorise** the showing of any images taken at either of the performances on any website or social networking site - eg Facebook.

We appreciate that parents and extended family members wish to take photographs or recordings as a keepsake of such milestones in their child's life. However we are also positive you are committed to ensuring every child's safety - and thus would not breach the terms above by publishing any material.

If you have any issues or queries regarding the authorising of photographs and recordings being taken please do contact school as a matter of urgency to talk to Mrs Skilbeck.

## 2 APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER

As you are aware Mrs Linda Graham, Deputy Headteacher, will be taking early retirement at the end of this term. The Governing Body of the school has reviewed the staffing structure of the school and has decided to appoint an Assistant Headteacher as from 3 January 2012.

Yours sincerely

Composed and written by Mrs A Griffin, on behalf of Mrs P Skilbeck, Headteacher

For your information:

- 1 All newsletters are posted onto the school website on Friday evening, and should be available for you to read or download on or before Saturday lunchtime.
- 2 Several copies of the newsletters are always put into the parents' area for parents to collect if they have mislaid their letter, or have not received it for any reason,
- 3 The newsletter is not weekly - it is produced as and when we need to inform or remind you of things happening in school. (You also receive regular text messages reminding you of forthcoming events - usually the day before the event). Additionally the annual School Calendar is uploaded onto the school website each September that you can refer to at any time. However, newsletters are numbered, so you can immediately see if you have missed one. This newsletter is number 09 of the academic year 2011-2012 and is thus numbered 09/11/12 the number is displayed at the very top of the letter under the logo.

We are thus pleased to announce the appointment of Miss Gemma Ellis as the new Assistant Headteacher of the school. Most of the children have already met Miss Ellis - as she has been visiting the school once a week to get to know the children and staff.

We are sure you join us in welcoming Miss Ellis to the school.

## 3 CHRISTMAS DATES

- o Friday - 2 December Christmas Fayre
- o Wednesday - 7 December Christmas Dinner
- o Wednesday - 7 December Nativity Production
- o Friday - 9 December Nativity Production
- o Tuesday - 13 December Christingle (Church)
- o Wednesday - 14 December Church Service
- o Thursday - 15 December Christmas Parties
- o Friday - 16 December 3.30pm - school closes