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Dear Parents/Carers

There is quite a lot happening in school over the next few weeks - so please find below some important information about various festive events.

Friday 13th December

Christmas Jumper Day, Elf Run and Christmas Lunch

This year we will be festive fundraising for 'Save the Children' and local charity St John's Hospice. If they want to, on the 13th December, children can come to school wearing a Christmas Jumper. All other clothing/shoes should be children's usual school uniform. On the day, children will need to make sure they have a pair of trainers in school to change into. During the morning, all children will take part in a fundraising sponsored 'Elf Run' – for more information, please see previous letter from Mrs Nelson. It would be lovely if EVERY child could collect some fundraising 'sponsorship' money which will then be split between St John's and 'Save the Children'. Year 6 will be completing their Elf Run through High Bentham, shaking some buckets, and getting the community to 'dig deep in their pockets' - so look out for them!

Friday 13th December and Saturday 14th December

Children's art work which is linked to the theme of Angels and the Nativity will be displayed at the Auction Mart as part of 'Christmas at the Mart'. Please do go along and support this event and take a look at your child's art work.

Monday 16th December

9.30am Nativity Performance for children in KS2 and Senior Citizens

This performance is for children in Key Stage 2 and Senior Citizens ONLY. Parents are welcome to join us the following evening. Grandparents, friends or members of the community who are Senior Citizens are welcome to join us for a 9.30am start in the School Hall. Refreshments will be served by Year 6 children following the performance.

Tuesday 17th December

6.00pm Nativity Performance

This performance is for parents. Please join us for a 6.00pm start in the School Hall. If at all possible, please arrange childcare for younger children so that they do not disturb the children's Nativity performance. As we are sure everyone will appreciate, our younger children have spent a long time learning their lines and practicing their songs. It would be unfair if children cannot be clearly heard by members of the audience. It is anticipated that the Nativity will last for approximately 30 minutes. There are no admission charges or tickets for entry, but there will be an opportunity for members of the audience to make a voluntary contribution towards school's fundraising efforts, via a collection bucket.

Wednesday 18th December

Auction Mart Christmas Carols at 2.30pm

All classes are walking to the Auction Mart to join in with the singing of Christmas Carols. Parents/carers are also welcome to join children. Parents can join children walking from school at 2.10pm or meet at the Auction Mart for 2.30pm. On the day, children do not need to bring their school bag or reading folder into school. ALL children need to be collected from the Auction Mart at 3.30pm – this includes Nursery children. By way of information, those children who use the bus service, will be collected from the Auction Mart and taken home as per usual arrangements. Can we just ask that parents/carers be patient as staff make sure that all children are safely handed over to a responsible adult. Thank you.

Thursday 19th December

Christmas Party Day! Children are invited to come to school dressed in their party clothes!

It might be an idea to keep this letter pinned to a notice board or stuck to your fridge so that you can remember what is happening on each day! We are very lucky to have so many wonderful events planned for our children.

Finally, thank you for your continued support. All that is left to say is 'Happy Christmas'.



