

**27.11.23**

Dear Parent/Carer

**OFSTED**

It was a busy week in school last week. OFSTED finally arrived, much to the relief of all in school, and conducted their inspection on Wednesday and Thursday. Governors, Mrs Holt and myself received their verbal feedback on Thursday evening and were extremely proud of our school - our children and staff truly shone. We look forward to sharing the official report to you in approximately 4 weeks time.

A huge thank you to all who contributed to such amazing feedback.

**Parents' Evening**

Last Wednesday and Thursday was also parents' evening. Thank you to all who attended and to our Y6 helpers who helped the evening run so smoothly. If you were not able to make an appointment to see your child's class teacher, please get in touch with the school office and we will arrange an appointment.

**Christmas Fair**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Christmas fair on Saturday 18th November. There was a great festive atmosphere and lots of lovely Christmas gifts to purchase. The winners of the Christmas hampers were:

First prize: Alexandra Y3,

Second prize: Henry Y5,

Third prize: Mrs Behan

**Children in Need:**

On Monday 21st November, School council ran a non-uniform day with a cake sale and games. They raised a 'spotacular' £307.94 for Children in Need - well done!

**Elfridges**

On **Monday 18th December** we will be opening our Elfridges store (with the help of our Year 6 elves) for the children to complete their Christmas shopping.

Each child will get the opportunity to visit Elfridges, select a gift and then wrap it with the help of our elves ready to take home and place under the Christmas tree for a loved one on

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Christmas Day.

There is no cost to shop in Elfridges.

As part of the day, children will also get the opportunity to make their reindeer food ready for the arrival of Rudolph and his friends on Christmas eve.

## Non-uniform Day

We are holding a non-uniform day on **Friday 1st December**. In return for wearing non uniform we are asking for donations for Elfridges:

E.g. Toiletries, gift sets, nail varnish, candles, chocolate etc

We are also asking for donations of wine, chocolates biscuits etc for our hampers which will be raffled during the lead up to Christmas.

Many thanks in advance for your generosity

## Dates for the diary

Just a reminder of dates for the diary as we run up to Christmas:

Date	Event
Tuesday 28th November	Phonics meeting Y1 9am
Friday 1st December	Non uniform day - donations for Elfridges
Tuesday 5th December	KS2 to visit Park View cinema (pm) <i>Any parent volunteers to support with the event would be greatly appreciated</i>
Wednesday 6th December	EYFS nativity 9:30am
Thursday 7th December	Christmas lunch
Friday 8th December	EYFS Christmas party (pm) - children to provide their own party plate of food - More information to follow
Monday 11th December	KS2 carol service rehearsal at church (am) <i>Any parent volunteers to support with the event would be greatly appreciated</i>

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<b>Monday 11th December</b>	<b>Y3 &amp; Y4 Christmas party (pm)</b> - children to provide their own party plate of food - More information to follow
<b>Tuesday 12th December</b>	<b>Y1 Christmas carol concert 2pm</b> (parents invited to attend)
<b>Wednesday 13th December</b>	<b>Y2 Christmas carol concert 2pm</b> (parents invited to attend)
<b>Wednesday 13th December</b>	<b>KS2 Christmas carol concert 6pm - St Marys and St Cuthbert's church</b> (parents invited to attend)
<b>Thursday 14th December</b>	<b>Y3 visit to the pantomime</b>
<b>Thursday 14th December</b>	<b>Y1 &amp; Y2 Christmas party (pm)</b> - children to provide their own party plate of food - More information to follow
<b>Friday 15th December</b>	<b>Y5 &amp; Y6 Christmas party (pm)</b> - children to provide their own party plate of food - More information to follow
<b>Monday 18th December</b>	<b>Children to visit Elfridges in school</b> <b>Christmas fun run in school in aid of St Cuthbert's Hospice</b>
<b>Tuesday 19th December</b>	<b>Christmas Jumper Day in aid of St Cuthbert's Hospice</b>  <b>School closes at the end of the day and resumes for pupils on Thursday 4th January</b>

Kind regards

**Mrs A Brinton**  
**Headteacher**

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