Reminder: Have you sent back your Carol Service reply slip, folks?

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## Thank you to the Dumphy-Brook family for their HUGE donation of books!

It's always a privilege to be able to pop into our classrooms to see teaching and

teachers plan sequenced lessons to ensure children make progress every day. I've observed some superb lessons and been extremely impressed by the

what they already know, collaborate with others and try their best! Mrs Channing

learning in action. This week, my focus has been upon English and how

children's excellent learning behaviours. They listen well, relate learning to

Pupils of the week
Our amazing Nursery

All of Reception

All of Year One

All of Year Two

Felix Hawking

Mabel Steel-Brewster

**Bill Fussey** 

Harry Wilson

Kai McEwan

Izzy West

Hattie Moor

Sadie Simpson



Home discussion question Stan asked... If you could live in a book for a day, which book would you choose?



What's Toby seen this week? Toby has had a lovely week, watching our younger children performing their Christmas plays. Nursery and Reception children were so very brave on the stage. They remembered their lines and sang their songs beautifully. Their audiences thoroughly enjoyed their performances. It was a very special time for William's family, as his baby brother, Jake, arrived in time to attend, making him our youngest member of the audience at only one day old! Years One and Two amazed us

with their superb acting and amazing singing yesterday. Their performance included some very strange looking aliens, who learned about the Christmas story by going to school with the children they met when they became stranded on Earth! We felt very proud, indeed, of all of the children - they were

superstars! Thank you to the adults who

worked so very hard to make these performances possible. It's so

lovely that we are, once again, able to hold performances in our hall, welcoming our wider school family to join together

to celebrate at this special time of year.





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Pippa Rowan, Hanni Fussey, Jessie Pippen, Lara Grainge, Willow Bint and Danny Maylard. These children have shown kindness and understanding towards others. How lovely!

## Using a knife and fork

We are still surprised at how many of our children, infants and juniors, are unable to use a knife and fork, preferring to use just a fork or their fingers. We promote good table manners during lunch time and encourage children to use a knife and fork, teaching them how to do so if they are unsure of what to do. When children are seated next to someone who is proficient at using cutlery, they can seem a little embarrassed if they, themselves, are unable to do so with ease. It is, therefore, a good idea to teach them this skill at home and help them to practise during every meal time.



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Is your child having an extra (unhealthy) breakfast without you knowing? We have noticed some children are coming to school drinking energy drinks and eating sweets. We are confident that parents are not sending children to school with these and that children are buying them on their way to school. We are, however, concerned that children are starting the school day filled with sugar and additives and so ask that you help us to deliver the message to children that they should not be consuming these on the way to school. Thank you!

Well done to Pippa Rowan for her trampolining competition success!

Please note that there will be no clubs next week!

## Important dates for your diary!

12 <sup>th</sup>	pm Y5/6 Christmas party in lower hall –
	bring party clothes to school!
13 <sup>th</sup>	pm Y3/4 Christmas party in lower hall –
	bring party clothes to school!
14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Dinner and wear a Christmas
	jumper for £1 to support families in the
	Ukraine
15 <sup>th</sup>	pm Nursery and EYFS Christmas party in
	classroom – bring party clothes to school!
	pm Y1/2 Christmas party in lower hall –
	bring party clothes to school!
16 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am Carol Service at Christ Church.
	Volunteers needed to walk to and from
	Church! Break up for a VERY well de-
	served holiday!



**Reminder:** We break up for the holidays on Friday 16th December and children return on 4th January!

#### E-Safety

On Tuesday, we emailed the final update from



E-Safety expert, Alan Mackenzie. This update is all about useful links and resources - it's well worth a read!

## Global Council Top Tip!

One of the cheapest and most effective ways to save energy and money at home is



to draught-proof windows, doors, letterbox, fireplaces and loft hatches!

#### Vacancy We still have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisory Assistant. Please visit our website for details and an application form!

### School meals

Our new Spring menu will soon be uploaded onto the My Child At School app. Please make sure that you select your child's meals, even if they are entitled to receive Free School Meals or Infant Free School Meals. If meals are not chosen, your child will only be

able to have a sandwich for lunch. If you think you may be eligible to claim Free School

Meals, please speak to our lovely ladies in the office and they will be able to guide you through the application process. Claiming for free meals (if eligible) not only saves you from paying for meals, but also ensures that school receives additional funding!

#### A little donation will go a long, long way... In April 2022, four friends from Teesside felt

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passionately about helping the people of the Ukraine and wanted to take much needed resources to them. They put a plan together to organize raising money for aid and their group, A Wee Helping Hand, was created!

With 608 supporters, A Wee Helping Hand managed to deliver five tons of aid to the main refugee camp in Poland where the majority of Ukrainian refugees had

travelled to for safety. Since April they have undertaken two trips to the Ukraine, taking essential aid and food to local schools in west Ukraine which have been converted into residential homes where families may live safely.

Their next trip will be in January - the plan is to drive

across to the Ukraine with aid donated by local communities. This amazing group of people is also raising funds to help buy indoor wood burners to help families to keep warm and cook when their energy

supplies are cut off.

We have decided that we would like to help this worthwhile cause. On 14th December, we will be having our Christmas lunch and thought it would be lovely if everyone wore their Christmas jumpers on

this special day, for a charity donation of £1. There will be a collection bucket at the gate on the morning of 14th December, so

please bring along £1 in cash! Thank you for your support,

and thank you to A Wee Helping Hand for all that they do to help families in need.

