



8th December 2023

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to this week's update. The stage is up and the stable is in place which can only mean one thing, Nativities take place next week! Please see the full list of events below: -

Activities from the Christmas Calendar Next Week (All Parents/ Carers)

- 11th December 2023 - Years 1, 4, 5 & 6 will watch the dress rehearsal of the Wriggly Nativity. Years 2 and 3 have their P.E. lessons.
- 12th December 2023 (9:30 and 2:15) - Wriggly Nativity (Nursery & Reception) for parents
- 12th December 2023 - Blackpool Music Service Christmas Festival at The Winter Gardens. Students who are participating will attend a rehearsal in the day.
- 14th December 2023 (9:30) - Wriggly Nativity (Nursery & Reception) for parents
- 14th December 2023 - Elf Run for Nursery to Year 6
- 15th December 2023 - Primary Christmas Dinner Day
- 15th December 2023 - Christmas Jumper Day for all children and staff

Parent Governor Nominations (All Parents/ Carers)

We have a vacancy for a parent governor on our Governing Body. Parent governors are full members of the governing body who act in the same capacity as all governors but are a parent of a child at the academy. They are not representatives of the parents but a governor who is a parent.

If you are interested in being considered for this position, please complete the nomination form [here](#) by 12 noon on Monday 11th December 2023. In the event of more than one person applying for the same position, an election will be held amongst all the parents of your school, and the candidate with the highest number of votes will be appointed.

If you would like more information or to discuss the requirements of the role, please contact Mrs. K. Linney at the academy.

Wow Moments in School this Week (All Parents/ Carers)

The Wow moments for this week are below. Well done to everyone involved.



- The Pantomime trip this week for many of our primary children was excellent and the children really enjoyed it. Thanks to Miss. Lee for arranging this. The staff at the Pleasure Beach were very complimentary about our children.
- Some lovely decorative bread has been made this week in food technology lessons.
- Y1 had a great festive crafts session with parents and Y2 held their sewing session with parents too!
- Thank you to everyone who donated to the Christmas appeal and to the Cubs and Scouts for helping to make the hampers up.
- Y11 students held a cake sale this week and raised a lot of money towards the prom.
- The Y8 badminton team with Harry B, Oliver T, Edward D and Harry W beat both St. Mary's and Montgomery this week - well done!

Primary Newsletter

Click [here](#) to access the Primary Newsletter.

Coping at Christmas (All Parents/ Carers)

We have included some links below to support when Christmas is difficult.

[Christmas Coping Tips](#) - [Coping with grief at Christmas](#) - [Finding Christmas hard](#) - [Hints and Tips](#)

Reporting Bullying or Pastoral Concerns (All Parents/ Carers)

The link to report a concern has now been put back onto the website. Simply click on 'Menu' and under the 'Parents' heading choose 'Raise a concern' or [click here](#).

And finally...

I asked for some feedback about the bulletin last week, in particular whether it was useful and anything we can do to improve. If any parents haven't managed to give feedback, [please click here to give your feedback](#).

Yours sincerely,



Mr. S. Cooke
Headteacher



Unity Christmas Calendar 2023



<u>When</u>	<u>Who</u>	<u>Event</u>
11/12/2023	N/R	Wriggly Nativity Dress Rehearsal (Years 2 & 3 to watch)
W/c 11/12/2023	All	Christmas Appeal Preparation - Details to follow
12/12/2023	Various students	Blackpool Music Service Christmas Festival
12/12/2023	N/R	Wriggly Nativity Performance for Parents 9:30–10.15am, 2:15–3pm
14/12/2023	N-6	Elf Run Primary - details to follow
14/12/2023	N/R	Wriggly Nativity Performance for Parents 9:30 – 10.15am
15/12/2023	N-11	Christmas Jumper (Save the children) Day
15/12/2023	N-6	Primary Christmas Lunch
W/c 18/12/2023	All	Christmas Appeal Delivery
W/c 18/12/2023	7-11	Secondary Christmas Lunch
18/12/2023	4/ Choir	Carols by candlelight 2:15pm
18/12/2023	R-6	Christmas Parties. Children can bring treats from home.
19/12/2023	R-6	Rewards afternoon - Christmas Films/ Hot Choc
20/12/2023	N/R	Christmas Children's Entertainer
21/12/2023	5 - 6	Santa Visit - Santa will visit the Y5/6 classrooms to drop off gifts.
21/12/2023	N-4	Santa Visit 12:30-3pm - Individual visit to collect a gift.
22/12/2023	5-11	Staff Pantomime
22/12/2023	N-11	Non Uniform day - Finish at 12.30pm

Merry Christmas