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Dear Parents/Carers

### **Head Teacher's Newsletter**

Welcome back to school after the half term break. This newsletter is to give you some general information and also to let you know about some important events that are happening this term.

#### **Extra-Curricular Clubs**

For your convenience here are the dates for clubs this term.

w/c 6<sup>th</sup> November

w/c 13<sup>th</sup> November

w/c 20<sup>th</sup> November

w/c 27<sup>th</sup> November

w/c 4<sup>th</sup> December

#### **Parking**

We continue to have issues with badly parked cars on Mill Road. It was a particular issue when following a recent trip the coaches could not park safely due to the volume of cars. The school would ask parents to use the park and stride at the Co-op to ease congestion on Mill Road. Please ensure that if you are picking a child up from a trip that you are not impeding the coaches. Thank you for your help in keeping our children safe.

#### **Weather**

As the weather turns please ensure that your child has the correct clothing in school. They will need a coat to be able to go out to play when it is cold and also an appropriate kit for outdoor P.E. We are very much hoping that we won't have to close the school for snow this year but if we do we will announce this on the Lincolnshire County Council website [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/parents/schools/school-closures/](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/parents/schools/school-closures/)

#### **Anti-Bullying Week**

November 13<sup>th</sup> is the start of our annual anti bullying week. During this week children will be learning about being good friends and what to do if they are worried that they or a friend is being bullied. This week complements the on-going work the children do in the PSHE lessons. In school, we teach children the STOP message regarding bullying.

<b>What is bullying?</b>	<b>How can we deal with bullying?</b>
Several	Start
Times	Telling
On	Other
Purpose	People

**Parents are invited into school from 2.45pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> of November to see what their child has learned in the anti-bullying week and to share that with you.**

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### **Important Policies**

Schools are expected to remind parents and carers about key policies that they follow. Our important policies can be found on the school website <http://www.marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk/parents.html#Policies>. Those that may be of particular interest include the safeguarding policy, behaviour policy, attendance policy and the anti-bullying policy.

### **School Uniform**

It is lovely to see so many children in the correct school uniform. Can we please remind parents that nail polish should not be worn. Please also note that school shoes need to be worn, not boots or trainers. If your child needs to wear boots to walk to school please provide school shoes that they can change into once here.

### **Poppy Appeal**

Our Year Six children are selling poppies this year to raise money for the Royal British Legion. If your child would like to buy a poppy please send them into school with a small donation.

### **Healthy Snacks**

Our Year 6 children now sell healthy snacks on the KS2 playground at playtime for 20p. If your child you like to buy a healthy snack please send them in with the correct money.

### **Email Communication**

We have now started to email letters to the email address given on the blue contact forms. The emails come via Wisepay. If you are not receiving letters this way please notify the school office. After Christmas letters will not be printed and sent home. To ensure you keep getting information from school could we please ask that you set up an e-mail address and let us know your e-mail address as soon as possible.

### **Y6 2018 Residential Meeting**

We will be holding our information meeting regarding the 2018 Y6 residential (Current Year 5s) on 7th December at 5.00pm. At this meeting you will get the details regarding the trip which will help you to decide if your child will attend.

### **Theatre Production**

A letter has already gone out regarding the M&M production performance of The Wizard of Oz on the 30<sup>th</sup> November. We ask for a £2.00 donation from each child for this. Please send to the office in a labelled envelope or pay for this on Wisepay. Thank you to all of those who have already purchased tickets. We appreciate your support with this, the event costs the school around £800 to stage and with school budgets being tight your support is appreciated.

### **Market Place Singing**

Each year a number of the Key Stage Two children attend the Christmas Festivities in the Market Place. This year the event is being held on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November. We will send permission slips out nearer the time. We hope that your child will want to come along and represent their school at this event.

### **Rotary Carol Concert**

Children in Key Stage Two have once again been invited to sing at the Rotary Carol Concert at the Methodist Church on 11<sup>th</sup> December. We will send out a permission slip nearer the time.

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#### **Infant Productions**

Due to the number of children in school the Infant production will be different to normal.

The **Reception** Children will perform a Nativity on the 7<sup>th</sup> of December at 2.00. Each child in Reception will be given 4 tickets for this performance. No further tickets will be available however parents are free to share any spares they may have. There will be no evening performances this year.

The **Year One and Two** children will perform a Christmas Play on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of December at 2.00pm in the school hall. Each child in Year One and Two will be given two tickets for each performance. No further tickets will be available however parents are free to share any spares they may have. There will be no evening performances this year.

#### **Y2 Nativity Service**

Our Y2 children will be performing their Nativity presentation on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December at 9.30am at St Thomas Church. No tickets are needed for this event and we hope that you will be able to join us for this.

#### **Christingle Service**

The Christingle service will be held in Church at 3.00pm on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> of December. It would be lovely to see as many families there as possible to join us for what is one of the most special services in the year.

#### **Carol Concert Service**

In a change to past years our Carol Concert will be led by and involve **all Key Stage Two** children and we'd like as parents to attend this special event as possible. This will be held on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of December at 2.00pm at the Festival Hall. Due to space constrictions at the Festival Hall we will only be able to issue 2 tickets per child however parents are free to share tickets they may not be able to use.

#### **Christmas Dinner**

Our ever popular Christmas dinner will be on the 11<sup>th</sup> December. Please just log onto Wisepay with the details you have already been given to order. The meal is free for Reception, Y1 and Y2 and will be £2.40 for Key Stage 2. **The deadline for ordering is 4<sup>th</sup> December. We cannot accept late orders.**

#### **Class Christmas Parties**

To celebrate Christmas and the end of the term we will hold our Christmas parties on the afternoon of 19<sup>th</sup> December. Children will be invited to bring in some party food and change into party clothes closer to the time.

As you can see, this term is a very busy one. We look forward to your on-going support. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have a query about any aspect of school life.

Yours sincerely

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### Dates for your Diary

Please keep these dates for reference throughout Term 2

#### **Club Dates:**

7th November	Clubs week 6
14 <sup>th</sup> November	Clubs week 7
21 <sup>st</sup> November	Clubs week 8
28th November	Clubs Week 9
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Clubs Week 10 (Last Week)

#### **Important Dates:**

w/c 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Poppy Appeal donations collected	
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Market Place Singing KS2	Market Place
30 <sup>th</sup> November	Wizard of Oz M & M Productions	
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Christingle Service	3.00pm, St Thomas Church
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Deadline for Christmas Meal Order	
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Nativity	2.00pm, School.
7th December	Y6 2017 Residential Meeting	5.00pm, School.
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner	
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Rotary Carol Concert KS2	7.00pm, Methodist Chapel
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1/2 Christmas Show	2.00pm, School.
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1/2 Christmas Show	2.00pm, School.
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Y2 Nativity Service	9.30am, St Thomas Church.
18 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert	2.00pm, Festival Hall.
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Class Christmas Parties	Afternoon
19 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Term 2	
3rd January (18)	Children back for Term 3	

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### **Please Return to the School Office**

I enclose a donation of £2.00 for a ticket for The Wizard of Oz on the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

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