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BURTON AGNES CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday News

A note from Mrs Jameson

This week we are feeling as proud as punch as the Department for Education released the Schools Performance Tables which put Burton Agnes as the top performing school in the East Riding this year and the only school with 100% of the children achieving the expected standard in all subjects at the end of KS2. Whilst we are very proud of this achievement I cannot stress enough that SATs results are only a small measure of a schools success. We not only pride ourselves on good results but also the care, guidance, and support we give to our children and the rich and happy learning experiences they get during their time with us. Well done to our whole school community who all play their part in this success.

The spirit of Christmas arrived in school this week as the children in Class 1 and 2 performed Shepherd's Delight telling their very own version of the First Christmas. The children performed with enjoyment and confidence and it was amazing to think that for some children it was the first time they had ever been on the stage. Thank you to everyone who came along to support us and to the EYFS and KS1 staff for all of their hard work in putting the performance together.



On Friday afternoon we sprinkled a little more Christmas magic in the form of our Christmas Carol Service at St Martins Church. The children did an amazing job of singing Carols and telling stories. Well done to the recorder and brass musicians and to the Worship group who confidently led the service.

This week we have lots of exciting things happening in school to continue our festivities.

Thank you

Many thanks to everyone who sent in contributions to the hampers and thank you to Mrs Smelt for taking the time to put them together. We raised £134.00 in ticket sales which is fantastic. Thank you to everyone who bought tickets. Our Christmas Fair on Friday 8th December was a roaring success. It was lovely to see so many families in school to support the event. The children in Class 4 were thrilled by the responses they received to their goods and raised £355.13 alone, which is amazing. The whole event raised a grand total of £536. Thank you for your generosity.

As you may be aware the EYFS team have been developing their outdoor area and have received donations of logs, stones etc. We have also had a mud kitchen made for us by Mrs Lees husband for which we are very grateful. We look forward to using it after Christmas. If anyone has any old waterproofs for EYFS children we would be very grateful of them—send them in to Mrs Lee. Thank you also to Isabelle in Class 1 for the donation of rock salt.

Party time

On Wednesday we will be holding our Christmas parties in School. You do not need to provide anything. Children in Class 1 and 2 can come to school in their party clothes and can stay in them all day. Children in KS2 need to come to school in their uniform and bring their party clothes in a bag to change in to as they will be visiting Burton Agnes Hall in the morning to look at the decorations. Please make sure the children are wearing sensible clothes and footwear as they will have to play outside.

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Dates For Diaries

Tuesday 19th December	Schools music service concert in school
Wednesday 20th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas party am
Wednesday 20th December	KS2 Christmas party pm
Thursday 21st December	KS2 Carol singing @ Burton Agnes Hall
Friday 22nd December	Pantomime at Bridlington Spa am (not for nursery)
	Christmas Lunch
Friday 22nd December	School Closes for Christmas
Monday 8th January	Staff Training Day
Tuesday 9th January	School opens

Holidays

As you are all aware the school is unable to grant time off for holidays in term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. If you do decide to holiday in term time you are likely to incur a fine. Please can we ask that you are up front with us if you are going away. It makes it really hard for the children when they come back if they can't talk about where they have been. Thank you.

This will be the last newsletter this term. On behalf of the Staff and Governors may I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2018. See you back in school on Tuesday 9th January 2018.

