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Dear Parents/Carers,

Internet in school

We currently have limited access to the internet in school. If you need to make contact with us, please do so via telephone or in person to the office. We hope to resolve this problem in the near future. Thank you.

Christmas decorations

This year, we have opted for a traditional red, gold and green colour scheme for our Christmas decorations. If you have any spare buttons, beads, sequins or thread in these colours which you would like to donate for our crafts, please bring them in to the office. Thank you. ☺

Christmas Fair

This year's Christmas fair will be hosted by the PFA on Friday 15th December 3:30-5:00pm. This year, the children from every class will be taking part in an Enterprise event and will create items to sell. Their class will then get to choose what happens with the money raised. During the school day on 15th December, the children will have the opportunity to meet Santa Clause in his grotto - more details to follow.

Todmorden Lamplighter Festival

The Lamplighter Festival returns this weekend on **Saturday 25th November**. The festival will light up Todmorden with a handmade lantern parade, fire performers, street bands, illuminated installations and great food. Building on the huge success of the 2012 Valley of Lights and four years of the Lamplighter Festival, Handmade Parade is back by popular demand to put this exquisite nighttime event. Showcasing the unique creativity of Todmorden, Lamplighter features widely renowned street performers and installation artists from the upper Calder Valley and beyond. The parade will begin at 6pm and ends near the market.

Contact Details

Please ensure that the office has the completed Emergency Contact Form to ensure we hold the correct information for your child.

Shoebox Appeal

School Council are running this year's shoebox appeal in aid of underprivileged children in the local area and abroad. Thank you to all who have brought items in for the appeal. We shall be sending the boxes off to the charity shortly. ☺

Important dates this term

Date	Event
Wed 29 th Nov	1.00pm Choir Advent Rehearsal - St Mary's Church
Sun 3 rd Dec	3.00pm Advent Praise Service - St Mary's
Tue 12 th Dec	6.00pm KS2 Carol Concert - St Mary's
Wed 13 th Dec	9.15am Reception Carols and Crafts
Fri 15 th Dec	3.30- 5.00pm Christmas Fair
Mon 18 th Dec	Nursery Christmas Performance
Tue 19 th Dec	KS1 and Reception Nativity - Hippodrome
Wed 20 th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day
Fri 22 nd Dec	School Closes for Christmas

Free cookery workshops!

Incredible Edible Health Centres would like to tell you about their free cookery workshops taking place at Todmorden Health Centre. Using fresh local produce, the workshops will take place every 2nd and 4th Monday 11:30am - 1:30pm. Everyone is welcome to come and cook and eat lunch together.

27th November: Gorgeous grains

11th December: Festive Delights

For more information, contact Emma Carter on (01706) 813448 or email:

emmaquagarden@gmail.com

Visit the website for more details:

www.incredibleaquagarden.co.uk

Goodbye & Good Luck!

Today we said goodbye to Jeanette from our kitchen who is going to work at Cornholme School and to Mrs Gray who leaves to start her maternity leave. You will both be missed.

Donations for the PFA

On Friday 8th December, please would parents consider sending children with a donation of chocolate for our Christmas Fair tombola. The class who manage to bring in the most donations will be rewarded with additional play time. Please note: this date is not a non-uniform day as we have many other Christmas activity dates coming up, including Christmas Jumper Day. Thank you.

Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 20th December

Christmas Dinner will be on Wednesday 20th December. All children are invited to join in and have a delicious Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings! If your child usually has sandwiches but would like to order a Christmas dinner please let the office know. There will be a vegetarian option and we will be having juice, crackers and Christmas music.

Read every day!

You can support your child in their learning by encouraging them to read every day. From signs around town, menus and cookbooks, magazines and newspapers to novels and poetry. Todmorden library is a super place visit and has a good selection of children's fiction and non-fiction books.

Advent Choir - rehearsals and performance

A reminder that the annual Advent Praise service will be taking place at St. Mary's Church, Todmorden on Sunday 3rd December at 3pm. Parents are asked to bring the children to the church at 2:45pm where they will be met by Mrs Shaw.

Attendance

The best attending classes this week were:

In KS1: 1/2S with 100%.

In KS2: 6S with 100%.

Well Done!

Twitter - please sign up!

You can find us @Castlehill100

Mrs. Janet Leggett, Headteacher