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Dear Parents & Carers,

As we move towards the end of term, I would like to reflect on the amazing Autumn term in school and thank you all for your continued support.

Parent workshops

It has been so encouraging to welcome so many of you to our parent workshops and following feedback from many of you, we are going to increase the workshops in class to every half-term so that you can come into school more often to see what your child is learning. We hope that this will help you to support your child with their learning at home.

Educational visits

We have had a range of educational visits this term which includes Year 6 visiting St Ives to support their work on rivers in geography and Year 5 pupils visiting the Bronte Parsonage Museum in Haworth to support their learning about local history. Both Years 4 & 5 went to the cinema to support their work in English and PSHE and Year 3 visited the National Coal Mining Museum to support their work in Science.

Scholastic Book Fair

This week you will be able to buy some great books for your children at our annual book fair. The book fair will run each day until Monday both before and after school from 8.00 am – 8.30 am and 3.15 pm -3.45 pm.



Farnham Food Bank

Thank you for your donations for Harvest. This year we made the decision to use your donations to start our own Farnham Foodbank in our newly developed Family Hub to support families within our own community. Year 5 has been working extremely hard to support Mrs Ravat to get our foodbank started. The children have written to our local MP for support who has then contacted Morrisons who have agreed to help. We can't wait to see what they will achieve next with this amazing project!



Children in need

Thank you for all of your donations and we raised a generous £254.15 for the charity!



Attendance

Here is the % attendance so far this year, per class. Just look at all of the classes that have achieved our school target of 96% - amazing!

Whole school attendance to date 94%			
Murphy AM	90%	Mian Class	95%
Murphy PM	78%	Rosen Class	92%
Donaldson Class	92%	Zephaniah Class	97%
Carle Class	90%	Strong Class	97%
Bryon Class	96%	Said Class	96%
Sharratt Class	93%	Rauf Class	97%
Jeffers Class	98%	Hardy Class	95%
Coelho Class	97%	Elphinstone Class	97%

We will celebrate the children who have attained 100% this term in our final achievement assembly of the term on Friday 20th December.

End of term arrangements

Date	Event
Now until Mon 9th December 8.00 am-8.30 am or 3.15 pm-3.45 pm	Scholastic book fair in the main hall
Thursday 12th December at 2.45pm	Rosen Class Assembly in the main hall
Friday 13th December 2.15pm-2.45pm	Year 5 parent workshop in the classrooms - Maths Passports
Tuesday 17th December at 10am	Choir performance for parents in the main hall
Tuesday 17th December at 2pm	Reception Nativity for parents in the main hall
Wednesday 18th December	Cinema event in school for pupils in Nursery, Reception and Year 1
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas dinner day Children can wear a Christmas jumper or something sparkly or wear Christmas colours – red, green, gold, silver
Wednesday 18th December from 1.45pm	Winter Fair in the main hall
Friday 20th December	Non-uniform day - £1 donation to school funds
Friday 20th December at 11am & 2.30pm	Nursery Christmas Sing-a-Long with parents

Christmas lunch

Christmas lunch will be served on Wednesday 18th December. If you would like your child to have a Christmas lunch, please ensure you have paid via Parent Pay in the usual way. There is no charge for pupils in Reception or Years 1 & 2 or pupil premium children.



Winter Fair

Following the success of our Eid Mela last summer, we are holding our first Winter Fair on Wednesday 18th December in the main hall. There will be lots of stalls including a tombola,

raffle, food and treats. Due to popular demand there will be a Santa's Grotto where children will be able to visit Santa and have their photo taken with him. The event will start at 2pm and as we would like to encourage as many parents as possible to attend the fair with your children, you are invited to collect your child from the top playground from 1.45pm. Pupils who remain in school after 2pm will be able to enjoy the fair with their friends, supervised by school staff.



Holiday Dates

School closes for Christmas on Friday 20th December 2023 and re-opens to pupils on Monday 6th January 2025.

I thank you for your continued support and please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries or questions.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of the letters "SK" followed by a long horizontal line.

Mrs S Keenan
Acting Headteacher