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## Friday 20th December 2019

### Dates for the Diary

20/12 Break up for Christmas

6/1 Back to School

17/2—21/2 Half term

27/3 Inset Day

3/4 Break up for Easter

20/4 Back to School

25/5—29/5 Half term

### Attendance

Whole school attendance for this week is 97%

Whole school attendance over-all (Sept — to date) 97.16%

Oak 96.8%

Pine 99%

Willow 95%

Birch 97.4%

Maple 98.2%

Elm 97.2%

Sycamore 96.4%

Dear Families,

We've had a magical week in the build up to Christmas!

On Tuesday, we had our Reception Sing along and Mr Hughes, the CEO, was impressed with how beautifully the children sang.

On Wednesday, some of us went off to Asda to sing some Christmas Carols to the public. We raised £50.90 which will go towards our school fund. At lunchtime we all had our Christmas dinner. Thank you James and the kitchen staff for cooking a delicious dinner.

On Thursday, we had Year 1 and Year 2 performance— a fantastic play 'Lights Camel and Action'. All the children were fab. What great actors we have at the school! Thank you to all who came to watch and support the children.

This morning we had our 100% attendance assembly. Well done to all the children that have been in school every day in the Autumn term. It is important that we come into school each day. We also sang The 12 days of Christmas, where all the staff joined in to perform to the children. We rounded off the day with Christmas parties in the classrooms.

We are very sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Bains & Mrs Brailsford our middays who will be leaving us to start their new adventures in January. We would like to welcome Mrs Moloney who will be joining us in January to cover Mrs Rashid's maternity leave. We wish Mrs Rashid all the best and good luck with her new arrival.

I wish all of you a happy & peaceful two weeks and look forward seeing you all in the New Year. Merry Christmas!

Best wishes

Mrs Ubhie

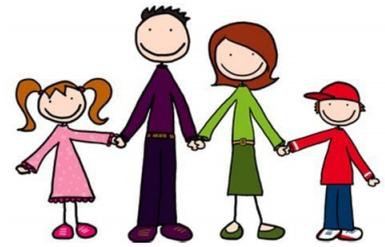
### Christmas reading challenge

Children have been given a Christmas Reading Challenge sheet to complete over the holidays (see overleaf). There are 9 challenges in total and families can sign each activity square once a challenge has been completed. This is a great way for the children to continue their reading over the holidays. In addition to this, we would encourage you to keep reading with your children and signing their reading diaries.

Read a story about Christmas.



Read to someone in your family.



Write a book review for a book you've read.



Read a book whilst in a Christmas jumper



Read a book whilst drinking a hot chocolate.



Read a book to an animal.



Read at least 8 times over the Christmas Holidays.



Draw a picture of the main character from your book.



Read a book using a torch



Ash Croft Primary Academy Christmas Reading Challenge.