



# Newsletter

## 15.12.23

Dear parents and carers,

### Christmas Performances

It has been lovely to see our school community coming together this week and enjoying the Christmas performances. It has been a joy to see the children performing for parents and carers. The pupils and staff have worked so hard and it really showed. I was so proud of everyone. A big thank you to our music leader Mrs Brown who does an amazing job supporting the performances and leading music in our school so well. We had some lovely feedback from those who attended.



### Christmas Fayre

Thank you to the staff and children who worked so hard to make our Christmas fayre a success. Thank you also to the parents who donated and attended the event - we were really pleased with how it went. We will have our final total next week once the total raffle money has been counted, so will let you know how much we raised in the next newsletter. The money we

raise will be spent on resources to enhance our curriculum even further for the pupils, so it really is put to good use for the children.



### Christmas Parties

Next week is Christmas party week. Children can attend school in Christmas party clothes on the day of their parties.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> KS2 (Classes 3,4,5 & 6)

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> KS1 (Classes 1 & 2)

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Nursery and Reception

### Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas jumper day will be on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. We are collecting for Mid Yorkshire Hospital on this day, so please send in donations if you wish to support this local charity.



### Reception Hepworth Visit

Reception walked to Hepworth House Care Home and performed some Christmas songs for the residents. The residents were dancing, shaking their jingle bells and commented how much they enjoyed it. Well done Reception! The feedback from the adults who went said it really was a special day.

### Book Gift

Thank you to the parent who donated some money to go towards the purchasing of a book gift for the children at Christmas. We have also had a generous donation from another family. The money will go into our school fund and spent on resources for the pupils. We continue to be very touched by all of your kindness and generosity which you show to the school.

## **Reverse Advent Calendar**

We are running our annual Reverse Advent Calendar again this year, with all donations going to the Wakefield Night Shelter. It has been open quite a lot over the last couple of weeks and the guests have all really appreciated the hot meal and breakfast that they have received, as well as the opportunity to have a shower. All donations of non-perishable food and toiletries will be gratefully received by the Wakefield Night shelter. Please leave donations in the box under the Christmas tree outside on the walkway into school.

Please see the list below for some ideas for what you might like to give if you are able to donate.

Pasta, pasta sauce, jam, rice, canned meat, veg, soup, fruit, custard, beans, crackers, biscuits, boxed cake, tooth brushes, tooth paste, deodorant, shower gel, thick socks, cereal, tea, coffee, instant milk.

## **Attendance**

Thank you for those parents and carers who have contacted the school office before 9am to inform us of their child's absence, it really is appreciated as we have to phone and check any pupils who are missing from school without a reason. A phone message or email is the preferred method. Please continue to email the office to inform us if anyone other than a parent is collecting (e.g. grandparent, a friend, childminder) so that this speeds up the dismissal process. If you are sending in a message about a child, would you please include the child's full name, class and the actual reason for absence (not just unwell). If your child is late arriving to school, please come to the school office. Any children arriving after their class start time will be recorded as late in the register.

School email: [contact@stanleygrove.wakefield.sch.uk](mailto:contact@stanleygrove.wakefield.sch.uk)

## **Dates for your diary**

18/12 KS2 Christmas Party

19/12 KS1 Christmas Party

19/12 Nursery Nativity at Stanley Church Hall 15:30

20/12 Nursery & Reception Christmas Party

20/12 Christmas Jumper Day

22/12 Christingle Service

22/12 School closes normal times for the Christmas break

08/01 Inset day

09/01 School opens

09/02 School closes normal times

19/02 School opens

22/02 School closes normal times

23/02 Inset day

11/03 – 13/03 Class 6 Residential

22/03 School closes normal times

08/04 School opens

06/05 School closed bank holiday

24/05 School closes normal times for half term

03/06 School opens

I hope you have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Frost