

### Christmas Activities

The run up to Christmas is certainly a little different in school this year, however, we still want to make this time of year as enjoyable as possible for our children. On 11<sup>th</sup> December, we will be watching 'Lost in Limbo Land', a pantomime film starring some of the performers from Britain's Got Talent! On 15<sup>th</sup> December we will be virtually hosting a Family Christmas Sing Song! Miss Geelan will be sending more information home soon.

Our Christmas parties will still be going ahead (see dates below) so children can dress in their party clothes, enjoy a good boogie and play some party games. A traditional Christmas lunch will also be offered to all children on 16<sup>th</sup> December.

### Staff News

We have appointed a new Assistant Headteacher, Mrs Baker to be responsible for the SLRP provision, following Mrs Canning's retirement. Mrs Baker will be starting with us in January. She has already visited the school and we are looking forward to working with her. Mrs Jackson has been appointed as a Teaching Assistant in Year 1 and Mrs Beresford will continue to work in Year 1 alongside Miss Sinclair.

### Charity Events

Thank you so much for your kind donations to charities recently. On #HelloYellowday we wore something yellow and raised £120 towards Young Minds, a charity to support children and young people's mental health. We also raised £195 for Children in Need by having an own clothes day and taking part in the final part of Joe Wicks 24 hour workout session.

On the lead up to Christmas, we are now collecting donations of biscuits, boxes of chocolate or selection boxes. We will send some to local care homes and some to Bury Homeless Project. The children will also make a small Christmas card in class to send to an elderly person in a local care home.

### PTA News

We are currently getting ready to publish our school calendar. If you have a business and would like to sponsor a page please get in touch via [unsworthprimarypta@gmail.com](mailto:unsworthprimarypta@gmail.com). You will get a full colour banner advertisement across the bottom of a month and be supporting our school for just £50. We will soon be sending home details of our Christmas raffle. There will be some fantastic prizes on offer so watch this space!

If you are shopping online for Christmas please take a moment to register with Easyfundraising. You can shop online and raise money for our school at the same time without it costing you a penny! Easyfundraising donate a small percentage of whatever you spend to our school. We have raised £584 so far with 37 supporters registered. To register simply follow the link [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/unsworthpta](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/unsworthpta).

### Medical Tracker

In January, we are introducing a new way of recording both medical information and accidents/injuries, via a computer system called 'Medical Tracker'. This system will enable us to record incidents electronically and monitor them more effectively. The main difference that you will see is that if your child has an accident in school, you will receive an email notification, instead of your child bringing home an accident slip. We will still telephone parents in the event of a head injury or a more serious injury or illness where a child may need to be collected.

### Dates for your Diary

Date	Event or Activity	More information
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Virtual Panto 'Lost in Limbo Land'	All classes
14 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Party	In classes (PM)
15 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Party	In classes (PM)
15 <sup>th</sup> ~December	Virtual Christmas Family Sing Song	6pm - 7pm
16 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas lunch	
18 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for Christmas	2pm (after school club will not run on this day)
6 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	School opens	

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