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NEWSLETTER

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Key Dates

5th December – Dress Down for chocolate donations

10th December – KS1 & KS2 Xmas performances

17th December – Christmas Dinner & Party Clothes

18th December – Christmas Disco

19th December – Panto & Christmas Jumpers

19th December – End of Term

5th January – School re-opens



A MESSAGE FROM MRS RAHIM

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is that time of year when as well as busy teaching and learning we are very busy prepping for festivities. Please see below lots of information about what will be going on.

Baby News

As most of you may have noticed Miss Wells-Bower, our Year 4 teacher, is well into her pregnancy journey. She has decided it is now time for her to rest before the baby arrives. Therefore Miss Wells-Bower will be leaving us slightly earlier than planned on Friday 5th December. Mrs Hickey will take over the class as the full time year 4 teacher on Monday 8th December and Mrs Devanney will join Mrs Whitaker as the year 3 classteacher. We wish Miss Wells-Bower all the best and we cannot wait to hear her baby news!!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Christmas Nativity & Performance –

On Wednesday 10th December we will be having our Christmas Nativity and KS2 Performance. **Please note unfortunately the church has been unable to accommodate us on the date requested therefore our performance will take place in school at 9am.**

In between performances hot drinks and mince pies will be served and a song from the choir.

Please only attend one of the KS1 performances to allow capacity for everyone to attend.

9:00am – KS2 Performance

10:15am – KS1 Nativity

2pm – KS1 Nativity



Christmas Disco –

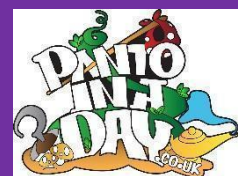
We will be holding our annual Christmas disco on **Thursday 18th December**. Tickets are £3.50 each and this event is now live on parent pay to purchase a ticket. Each child will visit Santa in the grotto and receive a present. Sweets, drinks and snacks are available to buy on the evening, please send cash with your child for these. We will also be having the chocolate tombola at the Christmas disco.

KS1 – 3:45pm – 4:45pm & KS2 – 5pm-6pm.



Christmas Panto 2025 –

On Friday 19th December there will be a performance of 'The Wizard Of Oz' led by a theatrical company called Panto In A Day. As we know the children absolutely love the yearly Christmas panto. The children will have a wonderful experience to see the performance live in the hall. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £2.50 per child for the performance to enable this amazing and fun event to go ahead. The payment is now live on parent pay.



POLITE REMINDERS

Weather Reminder –

As the weather begins to change, we often experience cold and wet conditions but we try our best to ensure the children can access outdoors at breaks and lunchtimes. Due to this can you please ensure your child has a suitable warm coat for outdoors which is clearly labelled. We also encourage our children to stay off of the grass as it becomes very mud and can often leave children with mud on their clothes. Please can you remind them of this.



Celebrations

As part of our promotion for healthy food and nutrition in school we will no longer be able to give out sweets, chocolate, crisps and cakes that are brought in to share for celebrations. If you would like to share with children in the class for celebrations, we encourage bringing fruit or a small toy eg bubbles.

Healthy snacks and packed lunches

As part of our continued promotion of healthy food and nutrition please can you avoid sending your children to school with sugary snacks. We are seeing that a high volume of chocolate bars, cakes and biscuits are being provided for children to eat.

Please can a healthy bar or a piece of fruit be provided as a snack and a limit of one sugary snack in lunchboxes. If an adult identifies a snack as unhealthy it will be removed.

Thank you for your understanding and support in these matters

Uniform

Thank you for your support with uniform expectations as it has been lovely to see children in the correct uniform looking very smart and ready to learn.

Attendance

We are noticing an increase in term time requests for holidays. While we understand that this is a time to spend with family and supports well-being as a Trust school, we follow the Trust Attendance Policy. This means the majority of term time holidays are unauthorised and can result in fines. Please see an extract from the policy below.



5.1 Approval for term-time absence

The headteacher will allow pupils to be absent from the school site for certain educational activities, or to attend other schools or settings.

The headteacher will only grant a leave of absence to a pupil during term time if the request meets the specific circumstances set out in the 2024 school attendance regulations. These circumstances are:

- Taking part in a regulated performance, or regulated employment abroad
- Attending an interview
- Study leave
- A temporary, time-limited part-time timetable
- Exceptional circumstances

A leave of absence is granted at the headteacher's discretion, including the length of time the pupil is authorised to be absent for.

Leave of absence will not be granted for a pupil to take part in protest activity during school hours.

PLEASE NOTE: holidays are not deemed exceptional circumstances and will not be authorised.

The school considers each application for term-time absence individually, taking into account the specific facts, circumstances and relevant background context behind the request. Any request should be submitted as soon as it is anticipated and, where possible, at least two weeks before the absence, and in accordance with any leave of absence request form, accessible via the school office. The headteacher may require evidence to support any request for leave of absence.

Christmas Dinner Day –

On Wednesday 17th December we are having our Christmas dinner served by Mrs Rahim. There has been a slight change to the menu – please see below. If your child does not want a school Christmas dinner please send them with a packed lunch.

- **Roast Turkey Dinner**
- **Halal Roast Chicken Dinner**
- **Quorn Roast**
- **Classic Cheese & Onion Flan**

- **Chocolate Sponge & Custard**
- **Ice-Cream**

Christmas Cards –

From Friday 5th December children may bring Christmas cards to post in our post box. If you need a class list please ask at the office. Please note – this will be first names only. Please ensure the envelope has the child's name and the child's class.

A LOOK AT WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TO IN SCHOOL



A big well done to our hot chocolate award winners this week who enjoyed hot chocolate and biscuits with Mrs Rahim this morning.

Our fantastic singing stars of the week – practising beautifully for the Christmas performances!



Year 6 Parent Afternoon& STEM Family breakfast –

Over the past couple of weeks, we have had our year 6 parent afternoon & STEM family breakfast. Both events had a great turnout and we are so grateful for the donations. With your incredible support we are able to keep these events running for our families to get together! Thank you!



****IMPORTANT****



We are now using Instagram as our main social media page. We will be creating a facebook page in the near future. Please follow our Instagram handle - [@claytonvillageprimary](https://www.instagram.com/claytonvillageprimary)