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15th December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I think everyone is getting tired (and poorly!) as we approach the final week of this term and 2023! But we are all still preparing for Christmas and finding ways of maintaining some festive spirit, whilst trying to keep the children calm!

### **F2 and KS1 Christmas Performances**

Live Christmas performances are always very special events. This week it has been a privilege to be able to watch our children in F2 and KS1 perform in their Christmas productions. The children have been so excited about performing and their enthusiasm and enjoyment was matched only by the quality of performance they gave – fabulous! If you are booked in for the final KS1 performance this afternoon you are definitely in for a treat!

Well done to our very talented children for giving off their best, and thanks to staff who worked so hard to enable the children to perform so confidently and successfully.



### **Christmas Fair**

Thanks to everyone who supported our Christmas Fair last Friday evening – it was lovely to see so many of you there to help make it the success it was. The amount raised was £1291.34, which is brilliant! A special thanks to the FOG team, friends and family who worked tirelessly behind the scenes sorting teddies, folding tickets, setting up stalls, organising games, collecting prizes ... the list of prep is endless!... and then manning stalls to make the event happen. Also my thanks goes out to our Y6 Elves who operated the games stalls – definitely some entrepreneurs amongst them! Not forgetting our wonderful choir – their performance was outstanding. What a fabulous team effort!

### **PJ Movie Night**

A quick reminder, all children who have booked a place at the Monday Movie Night can come to school wearing their PJs. It will start straight after school and at 4:30pm, children will be dismissed from their classrooms as normal. All children will need to be collected by an adult from the playground.

Children who are booked into our After School Club will be able to attend at no additional cost and will go back into ASC at 4:30pm and can be collected as normal from there.

If your child doesn't want to attend the movie but wants to wear PJs we are asking for a £1.00 donation on the day.

### **Whole School Christmas Service**

One of the highlights of Christmas at Greenleas is the walk up to St Nicholas Church for our annual whole school Christmas Service. This year we will all venture up to church on the morning of Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Children should wear school uniform on this day. Please ensure they have a coat with them too.

### **Rudolph Run and Christmas Dinner**

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023, the children will take part in a charity Rudolph Run in aid of Wirral St John's Hospice. The children will receive a pair of reindeer antlers to wear whilst completing their run. All proceeds raised will be donated to this local charity. Sponsor forms should arrive home this week. Can any sponsor money be returned by the end of term. Thank you

After a good run the children will be ready for a hearty meal. Christmas dinner is booked in for after the event, please order on ParentPay to ensure that a meal is ordered for your child.

On this day, children can wear a Christmas jumper with their own trousers/skirts (and sensible shoes). If your child doesn't have a festive sweater already, just dig out a plain jumper and decorate it with some tinsel, baubles or homemade snowflakes. Please don't go to any expense!

### Party Afternoon

We will celebrate the end of this term with class parties on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December. Children can come to school in party clothes, though please remember they will still be playing out so something warm and suitable for playtimes.

During w/c 11.12.23 we will be sending your child home with a party food bag. Please provide your child with no more than 2 small snacks (such as crisps and a biscuit or cake) and a drink for the party. They will not require much as the party is after lunchtime so they should still be quite full. Party bags should arrive home today and to be returned only on party day – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December.

### Pantomime

For a festive treat the children will get the opportunity to join in with the classic panto antics of Cinderella on the last day of term, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December. This Christmas treat has been funded by FOG. On this day, children can again wear their Christmas jumper with their own trousers/skirts (and sensible shoes). If your child doesn't have a festive sweater already, just dig out a plain jumper and decorate it with some tinsel, baubles or homemade snowflakes. Please don't go to any expense!

### Enrichment Activities

Many thanks for your support with these. The children have had a wonderful time this term participating in a variety of clubs such as knitting, tennis, fencing, sign language, eco, art... keep your eye out for our Spring term offer.

When dropping your child off for a club, can I please request that you remain with them until they are handed over to the adult facilitating the club. We have had a couple of incidents where children have been left at Reception unattended before the facilitator has arrived/session has started. If another adult is dropping your child off can you please let them know the procedure too. Thank you.

School finishes for the Christmas break at 3:15pm Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December.

Spring Term 2024 starts on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January with a shake off the winter blues themed day. Your child can come to school wearing something blue e.g. hair bobbles, socks or a whole blue outfit (no football kits please).

### Terms Dates for the remainder of this academic year

#### Spring Term 2024

Open	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024
Close	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024

<b>HALF TERM</b>	<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024</b>
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Open	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
Close	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024

<b>SPRING BREAK</b>	<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024</b>
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#### Summer Term 2024

Open	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Close	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024

<b>MAY DAY</b>	<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024</b>
<b>HALF TERM</b>	<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024</b>

Open	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024
Close	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2024 (Children finish 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024)

#### Staff Development Days:

**SDD 4** Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024  
**SDD 5** Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024



School will be closed to children on these days.

Enjoy the weekend. Warmest Wishes

Sharon Edwards

Headteacher