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School Newsletter Wednesday 21st December 2022

This is the last newsletter of 2022 and marks the end of what has been a fantastic year at school overall.

## Happy Retirement!

Tomorrow we sadly say goodbye to Mrs Wilson as she heads out of Scarcliffe to enjoy her retirement. Mrs Wilson has done a wonderful job at our school – organising lots of activities during lunch and after school clubs, running Forest Schools and supporting in a range of classes. She will be very much missed and we wish her every happiness for the future!



### Attendance Updates

Due to some very annoying bugs that are circulating around at the moment, attendance has taken a huge hit at the end of this term. We recently sent home RAG rated attendance slips so that you are aware of how many sessions your child has missed. We totally understand that some absences are unavoidable and continue to be impressed with our school attendance figures overall (which typically above the national are average).

I have shared information regarding Scarlet Fever and Strep A and would urge you to be on the look out for signs and symptoms of these over the Christmas break.

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Our PTA have worked so hard this year so far and, with your help and generosity, have managed to raise a staggering £1960 since September!

This includes £162 which was recently added to the pot through our raffles at the lower school Christmas nativity shows.

As well as this, they have organised a number of voucher donations from the Blakemore Foundation and a range of donations from Morrisons in Bolsover.

The funds we have raised have ensured that every child will get a gift from school this week. It will also subsidise the cost of educational events in school and will fund the end of year Class Dojo treat day.

I would like to say a huge thank you to the PTA for everything they do for us!

## **Christmas Dinner Day**



Louise did a stunning job of our Christmas dinner which was absolutely delicious. This was despite the fact that the hot trolley decided to stop

working the day before! Once again, I do want to thank the people who jumped in to save Christmas by letting us use their hot plates and hostess trolleys –



what amazing families we have at our school!

### **Christmas Plays**

I think you will agree that the Christmas Play and Nativity shows our pupils performed were absolutely amazing! The way they confidently spoke, sang, acted and danced on stage made us all so proud of them.

The shows took lots of putting together and I want to thank the staff for going the extra mile to make sure they were all so successful!

### **Redhill Trust Update**



It has been a little while since we updated you on our progress to joining Redhill Academy. Lots of the legal work is complete and we now have a provisional date for conversion on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023. As I have mentioned previously, the day-to-day running of the school will remain as they are now as will our curriculum offer. The main changes will be around finance and running the business side of school. We will keep you updated about our progress in the new year.

### **OfSTED Parent View**

Many thanks to the parents and carers that have taken the time to complete the Parent View survey on the OfSTED website. We already have enough results to view them but would welcome more from anyone who is able to complete it.

Please follow the link below to register an account and complete the survey. <u>https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/</u>

#### **iVengers**

Our iVengers planned and delivered a wonderful online safety assembly to Class 3 and 4 this week. They explained the risks that children face online and based their presentation around the 4Cs:

**C**ontent – what they see and hear online.

**C**ontact – who they communicate with. **C**onduct – how they behave. Commerce – how money can be pent online.

The children should be able to explain some of the risks and hopefully remember some of the top tips the iVengers suggested.

For a refresher, or to see the presentation yourself, please visit the 'Pupils' tab on the school website and then select 'iVengers.'

#### **Road Safety Workshops**

Today, Class 1 and 2 had a visit from Derbyshire's Road Safety Team. They were given lots of information about how they could stay safe around roads and completed a workshop to help them remember the key messages.

It would be great for them to be able to explain their learning to someone at home!



### **INSET** Day

Just a reminder that Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January is a staff training day. We are looking forward welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January.

#### **Dates for Diary**

All key dates for 2022/23 are available to view on the homepage of the school website.

#### And finally...

At Scarcliffe Primary, we are well aware of just how lucky we are to have such supportive parents and carers. I would like to thank you all for your continued support throughout 2022. I hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas and some very important family time. We look forward to seeing you all in January.