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Dear Parents/Carers

### Term 2 Newsletter

I hope that you had a lovely half term and your child has settled back well ready for the new term. It has been a positive start for all of us and the children are continuing to impress us all with their resilience, following infection controls measures and continuing to work hard.

We are quickly approaching the run up to Christmas and we are hoping to be able to share some of our events with you this year, however we are continually adapting to Covid 19 guidance and the changes we may have to put in place.

This letter will outline some key information and some important events over this term.

### **Infection Control**

We continue to work hard with our infection control measures including enhanced cleaning and frequent hand washing and sanitising. All of these measures ensure our children and staff are as safe as possible. We appreciate your support in this continually challenging time and apologise for any short notice communication. We are in regular contact with the Public Health Team and sometimes need to make changes quickly.

Please continue to not send your child into school if they are displaying Covid 19 symptoms (new persistent cough, high temperature, loss of smell or taste) and book a PCR test for them. If you need any help or support, please don't hesitate to contact us.

### **Clubs**

Clubs will recommence on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November, there is no Fencing Club or Gardening Club this term.

### **Attendance**

Our attendance continues to be very good overall and we would like to thank you for your support with this. If your child is ill, we do not expect them to be in school. If you are unsure if your child should be in school please call us and we can advise.

Please can you ensure you call the office each morning to report your child's absence if they are not going to be in school.

### **Remote Education Plan**

We continue to have a detailed remote education plan should children not be able to attend school. If your child is isolating due to a positive PCR test, a two week paper work pack will be sent on day one covering the key learning that the children will be missing in school. There is an expectation that this pack is returned when your child returns to school to enable staff to assess what progress has been made.

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### Food Parcels

We are fortunate to be continuing to receive food bank donations from Tesco's which can be made up in to food parcels. They usually consist of tinned and packet foods.

If you would like a food parcel, please don't hesitate to email me and I will organise one for you.

### Whole School Questionnaire outcomes

Thank you to everyone who completed the recent whole school questionnaire. The outcomes have been overwhelmingly positive and it has been lovely to read your responses and to be able to share them with the staff.

As ever, we want to ensure we respond to any responses that are made. If you would like to discuss anything further from your feedback, please don't hesitate to contact me.

The two key response areas that we want to communicate with you were:

### Uniform / PE kit

During the last year or so, as an infection control measure, we have been encouraging the children to wear their PE kits to school on their PE days. This has worked very well overall, allowing more time for the children to participate in their PE lessons and ensuring children have their kit ready for their lessons.

As we have started to introduce after school clubs, it has become apparent that some children are spending more days in their PE uniform rather than their school uniform. If your child has a PE club, on these days they can choose to wear their uniform and PE footwear or change into their PE kit before the club.

As the weather is starting to get colder, please can we ask that your child brings their coat to school with them to help keep them warm and dry when they are outside at play and lunch times.

### Homework Consultation

At the end of the Summer Term, we consulted with yourselves regarding the changes to our homework policy. Thank you for your responses which were varied regarding preferences to the new structure or the previous one.

With this in mind, in addition to completing the homework on a daily basis, following the policy, you can choose to do the homework activities all on one day as you were doing previously and hand the book in as you usually would.

We are very mindful that we all lead busy lives and completing homework daily rather than in one session doesn't work as well for your family routine.

Please can we ask that you sign on your child's homework if it was completed in one or more sessions.

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

### Events

We are hoping that we will be able to take part in many of our Christmas Term events but this will be dependent on the number of COVID cases within our local and school community and the current guidance from the Public Health Team.

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At the end of this newsletter are the dates that we hope to be able to share our performances and events with you. If the guidance changes, we will be looking at recording plays, etc to still enable us to share them with you.

### Christmas Parties

Our Christmas parties will be held on Friday 17th December, the last day of term. As usual children will be able to come into school in their finest party clothes and bring in food to enjoy at their party. Party plates will be sent home nearer the time.

### Christmas Pantomime

The Friends of School have very kindly agreed to pay for transport as well as the tickets for the pantomime at Grimsby Auditorium on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December for the whole school. More details will follow nearer the time.

### Christmas Dinner

We will be serving our usual delicious Christmas Dinner for the children to enjoy on Wednesday 8th December. This is already available to purchase on Wisepay for the usual price of £2.40. The cut-off date to order Christmas dinner is Monday 1st December 2021.

### Dates for this term:

Below are the dates we are looking to proceed with our planned events for your information. We will endeavour to let you know any changes and we will communicate finalised times nearer the events.

- 26<sup>th</sup> November – FOSA Bingo Evening 7pm in the Village Hall
- 7<sup>th</sup> December – Christingle Service 9.30am in St John's Church
- 8<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch in the Village Hall
- 14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Film
- 15<sup>th</sup> December – Class 1 Nativity performance 9.30am in the Village Hall
- 16<sup>th</sup> December – Pantomime at Grimsby Auditorium
- 17<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Parties

As ever, your support to keep our local and school community safe is hugely appreciated. Please continue to follow the advice on Coronavirus to keep our whole community safe and well. If you need any help or support, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Nichola Allerston  
Acting Executive Headteacher

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