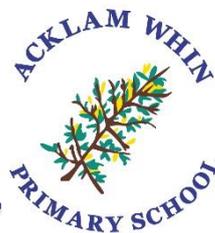


Acklam Whin Christmas News



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 As we race towards Christmas you will have seen that our preparations for our festive period are well underway. We would like to continue the tradition with our school Christmas tree and **invite every child to bring in a bauble from home to decorate our tree in the school hall.** We still have the ones sent in last year but if you are new to school or didn't send one in, then you are very welcome to add to our collection. Any type of bauble will be great as long as it has something to hang onto the tree and we would advise against glass, sentimental or expensive ones.

 Children can bring in their bauble (carefully) over the coming days. We will be decorating the tree next Thursday.

 We look forward to seeing you in a couple of weeks for the performances. Due to a number of concerns and safeguarding issues we have experienced previously, we are asking you to collect your children at the end of the normal school day, rather than taking them early after the afternoon performances. We thank you for your cooperation with this. The safeguarding of our children is always our highest priority. Refreshments will be available at the end of all our school productions.

 We know how many of you are keen to get here early for the performances and I have had lots of discussions with you regarding the fairest way of doing this. As last year, priority will be given to ticket holders. Anyone without a ticket will be asked to wait until all ticket holders have entered the hall. Then, as long as we have space, they will be admitted. I am aware that this will not please everyone, but I am trying to make it as fair as possible and I thank you for your cooperation with this.

 School will finish on **Thursday 21st December** for Christmas and **the children will return to school on 2018 on Monday 8th January.** We will be having a PD Day on **Friday 26th January** when school will be closed.

 Also many thanks for all your support and donations for Children in Need which raised just over **£400** for this amazing cause.

Parent Pay – just a polite plea – please can all dinner monies be paid in advance and all Parent Pay accounts be in credit. We really don't like contacting you individually but we have no choice if things fall behind. Please, if you have any problems, contact the office.

 *Here are all the important Christmas Dates over the coming weeks:* 

Friday 8th December - Y1 & Reception Christmas Performance – 1.30 pm

Sunday 10th Dec - School Choir performing at the St Margaret's Church Christingle 4.00pm

Monday 11th December - Year 2 & 3 Christmas Performance 1.30pm & 6.30pm

Wednesday 13th December – Year 4 & 5 Christmas Performance 1.30pm & 6.30pm

Thursday 14th December - Year 6 “**Christmas Carols and Readings**” at St Margaret's Church, Brookfield at 6.00 pm

Tuesday 19th December – Nursery Christmas Sing-a-Long 11.00am & 2.30pm

Thursday 21st December - Break up for Christmas

Monday 8th January 2018 – Children return to school

Friday 26th January – School Closed for a Professional Development day on Writing

 *I look forward to seeing you around school over the coming weeks and sharing in the delights of our amazing children.* 

