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### **Autumn Term Newsletter 12**

Dear Parents and Carers

**One week to go until the end of term....** we will be maintaining normality to ensure the children remain calm and not get too over-excited! Please see below some key dates next week, as well as some amazing news!

#### **AMAZING PERFORMANCE FROM KEY STAGE 1**

What wonderful superstars from Willow, Cherry and Holly classes who dazzled with their singing and acting earlier this week in **'Born in a Barn'**. My thanks to Miss Noone and her KS1 team who were immense. The parents, staff and everyone else who watched it thought it was fantastic! The film will be on dojo in the coming days. Please ensure nothing is posted on social media as they are several children who are not permitted to be on public platforms.

#### **Data Released from Dept. of Education. MASSIVE ACHIEVEMENT!**

This week, KS2 and KS4 results have been released nationally, which allows us to compare to other schools across Taunton, Somerset and nationally. For Somerset, the Local Authority have much still to do as Somerset is performing below the national average as a county, but there are major improvements which need to be noted.

**For Lyngford Park, it is very positive! We have outperformed many schools across Taunton,** including schools which historically would have achieved higher results than us! Whilst we must continue to strive on our improvements, we must pause and reflect on our successes! It is down to my dedicated and hard-working staff team, improved parental engagement and more importantly than all, **children's great attitude to learning.** We cannot stop on this and we must keep improving. **Attendance** must continue to improve to give our children the best chance of achieving their potential academically, as well as socially, emotionally and morally. Absence negatively impacts progression!

***Children want to believe they can achieve, and they can be proud when they do it...sounds familiar, right? The children voted for our motto, and it is clearly working!***

#### **MORE MATHS SUCCESS!**

A team of Year 6 Maths superstars took part in the annual Wellington Maths Challenge on 30<sup>th</sup> November. It is an extremely tough competition and some of the questions would even challenge Miss Vorderman or Miss Riley!

Out of 63 teams, **they achieved a top 20 spot**, which is brilliant result.

**Massive congratulations to Pak, Gabbie, Ben and William!!**





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### **Dates for the final week...**

**On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>**, our Reception Class will be performing 'The Big Little Nativity' at 2pm and 5pm...after a double performance, they will be tired!

**On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>**, children will be enjoying their Christmas lunch. The children have been learning how to use their cutlery properly throughout this term. Thank you to all those at home who have also been helping them. After school, there will be a PTFA stall where you can buy some goodies to help Christmas...

**On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>**, lost property will be on show for parents regain lost clothing. Any clothing left over will be taken to the clothing recycling unit, so we can start 2025 with zero lost property! The PTFA will be running their stall again, after school...all to help you with Christmas.

**On Friday 20<sup>th</sup>**, our final day, we have our **Golden Mile from 9.30**. Children can wear their Christmas jumpers. Then from **2.30, please join us for our Carols in the Courtyard**. A special time to come together and sign the term off. Once finished, children will be able to depart or please collect them at 3.15pm.

**Children return on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025.** (Monday 6<sup>th</sup> is INSET day for staff only)

### **Road Safety – polite reminder...**

**Please drive slowly, carefully and considerately on all roads, especially outside our school, and avoid blocking drives. The road is single-lane and narrow when cars are parked at the side...it gets congested**

### **Staffing Update**

At the end of term, we will be saying goodbye to **Mrs Kirsty Wyatt**. Mrs Wyatt has been one of our cleaners for several years. Thank you, Kirsty, for your efforts, and good luck in your next ventures.

Also as stated last week on our newsletter we will also saying our farewells to **Mrs Moore** at the end of term who has worked here for 9 years, we wish her all the best in her new career.

We welcome **Miss King**, who started today! We also welcome **Mrs Whitham** who is joining our Nursery team on Monday! **Miss Lambert** and **Mrs Haste** will also be joining our team in January!

### **We are a NO NUT school.**

**We put this in every Newsletter as a constant reminder to all.  
We cannot risk any type of nut in our school to avoid anaphylaxis.**