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## Headteacher Christmas Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

I can't quite believe we are breaking up for Christmas at the end of this week! The last few weeks have been so busy, but I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support. Every single Christmas performance was very well attended, which was fantastic for the children, and it meant so much to them to see you there. Even the rain at the Christmas Fayre did not dampen your spirits! I was completely overwhelmed by the numbers in attendance for the event and together we have managed to raise £1,700, which is remarkable. This money will go straight back into school to support and provide new experiences for the children over the coming year.

Thank you to those of you who responded to the recent parent questionnaire. We really want to work closely with you and value the feedback you provide so together we can continue to further improve the school. Overall, it was very evident from your responses how positively parents feel about school.



### Staffing updates

After Christmas, we have two staff members who will be starting their maternity leave. We wish Mrs Cowern and Mrs Kelly well as they embark on motherhood and we can't wait to meet their precious little ones. We would like to welcome Mrs Guest who will be covering in Reception. Another member of staff who will be leaving us is Mrs Bowen. She will be retiring at the end of January. Mrs Bowen has been a valued member of the teaching staff for many years here at Wilkinson. We would like to thank her for her dedication to school. She will be sorely missed and we wish her well for the future. Another member of staff we would like to thank for all her years at Wilkinson is Mrs Dugmore. We would like to wish her the very best and good luck for the future. Her class will remain in the safe hands of Miss Jones.





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### Parking

As we are still without a Lollipop Person, I ask that you remain vigilant when collecting your children. Please park considerately at drop off and collection times to ensure everyone's safety. We are working hard to get help from the council and would really appreciate it if you would support us. We will be sending out a link via text. Please find time to click on this link and raise your concerns with the council directly, as we have done here in school. Hopefully, the council will help and listen if more of us continue to voice our concerns.



### Reminders

Collection - If someone different is collecting your child at the end of the day, please inform the office by lunchtime that day. This will ensure there is time to get the messages to the relevant teachers and the children are ready at the end of the day.

Milk and Toast - If your child is over 5 years old, you will need to pay for their milk. If you wish for them to have it, then a payment of £15 for the Spring Term needs to be paid. Every morning, children in Years 1 to 6 have the option to have a slice of toast. If you would like them to have this, then a payment of £6.40 for the Spring Term is needed. These items need to be paid for by Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 via the School Money app.

Inset days - We have 3 inset days remaining this academic year, these will be taking place on: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2025, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025, and Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank you again for your continued support, without which the high levels of success your child reaches at Wilkinson would not be possible. We hope you have a fantastic Christmas and will welcome you back to school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

Kind regards,

Mrs H Richards

