

# Weekly Newsletter

*Dream big, fly high*

## Christmas Toy Appeal – Thank You

Thank you to everyone who donated toys and selection boxes to our Christmas charity appeal. We would like to share messages we have received from The Children's Adventure Farm Trust and Summer in Reception for contributing to their Christmas toy appeals:

### **The Children's Adventure Farm Trust**

*The selection boxes and children's toys that your school community have donated will be a helpful support for our Christmas programme this year. We are already up and running and we have provided visits for more than 2,000 children and their carers/parents already. By the time 22<sup>nd</sup> December comes around, our parties will have made happy festive memories for 3,700 children and their families in total. Huge thanks for your help. Please pass our thanks to all who have been part in making this possible.*

### **Summer's Christmas Toy Collection**

*Thank you so much from Summer and our family. We are so grateful to everyone who donated a gift and has helped make a difference to the children spending time in hospital this Christmastime.*



## Lights, Camera, Action

A huge **well done** to all our EYFS children for their fantastic performance this week. You were amazing – from the singing and acting to the big smiles on stage, you made us all so proud.

Next week, we have more performances from KS1 and Y3. For the Y3 Carol Service, the doors of the church will open at 1.45pm, with the service starting at 2.00pm.

For the KS1 dress rehearsal, doors will open at 1.15pm and it will start at 1.30pm and for the performance, doors will open at 9.15am and it will start at 9.30am.

Please come to the school's main entrance, where you will be asked to sign in using the name you put on the booking form, as this allows us to quickly sign everyone in on the day.

To minimise disruption during performances, please consider if younger siblings can watch the performance without disruption and sit somewhere that allows you to step out of the hall if necessary.

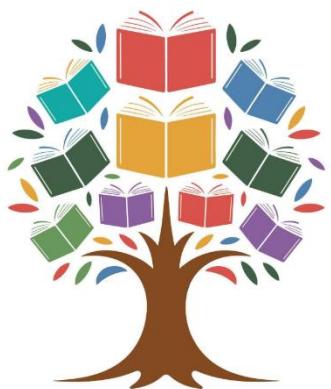
We are looking forward to seeing you and we hope you enjoy the show!

## Become a Secret Reader!

We are excited to introduce our **Secret Reader** programme again for the Spring Term. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents, grandparents, or family members to surprise the class by reading a favourite book to them.

Here's how it works:

- You choose a book your child loves (or one you think the class will enjoy).
- Keep it a secret from your child!
- Book a slot via the Parents Evening module (sorry we can't change the name!) on your MCAS App, which will be available from Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 8.00pm.



Having fun with reading and enjoying books is rooted in our **Reading for Pleasure** culture and we are looking forward to seeing you in school and listening to lots of wonderful books together.



### Express Uniform – Discount Code

Express Uniform is launching a promotional offer for the month of December. Use the code **HOHOHO10** at checkout for 10% off from now through to 31<sup>st</sup> December 11:59pm.



### Important Dates

15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	14.00 Year 3 Christmas Carol Service
16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	13.30 KS1 Christmas production dress rehearsal
17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	09.30 KS1 Christmas production performance
18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Panto performance and Drama workshops in school
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Winter disco – non-uniform day
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School closes for the end of term
5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	INSET – school closed for pupils
6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	School re-opens for all pupils
6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	14.45 Secret Reader session
7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Pre-School Nursery Rhymes Day
7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Reception Traditional Tales Day
8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Reception NCMP screening programme

For a full summary of 2025/26 dates over the year, our Annual Planner can be viewed [here](#).



Bravery



Citizenship



Curiosity



Gratitude



Integrity



Kindness