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Dear Parents and Carers,

Football with 'The Goal Getters'

The children thoroughly enjoyed developing their football skills and had lots of fun completing a round robin of various football activities which included shooting practice, dribbling and teamwork.



Christingle

The children learned about the Christian celebration of Christingle and made their own Christingles.



Classes One and Two 'Beauty and the Beast' at the Northcott Theatre and visit to Exeter Cathedral

The children were delighted by the performance of 'Beauty and the Beast' at the Northcott Theatre. Following the performance the children visited Exeter Cathedral to deliver their school angel, created by Class One and art club, and view the other angels in the exhibition.



Christmas Pottery with Taz Pollard

EYFS and Year Two have been working with potter Taz Pollard. Please see the class blogs for more information.



Polka Dot Concerts

Thank you very much to Polka Dot Concerts for their excellent programme of concerts this year and for their recent fundraising event for the school.

Year One, Wednesday 11th December, Multiskills Festival at Pilton Community College

Please can you ensure that your child comes to school wearing their school PE kit. Your child will need a packed lunch and a non-fizzy drink. Transport has been arranged and school packed lunches can be ordered on Monday morning; please return the order form to the office.

Wednesday 18th December, Christmas Meal for the Children

This will be a non school uniform day for all children. Please see the menu below and pre-order your child's choices on the slip by Wednesday 11th December if they would like a Christmas meal.

Christmas Performances in the Village Hall:

'The Sleepy Shepherd', Class One - Thursday 12th December at 2.30 pm (children may be taken home following the performance)

'I'm Gonna Shine', Class Two - Friday 13th December at 7.00 pm

'Olivia', Class Three - Monday 16th December at 7.00 pm

'Masha and the Firebird', Class Four - Tuesday 17th December at 7.00 pm

Classes Two, Three and Four - please make sure that your child arrives at the Village Hall for 6.15pm.

We would be very grateful if children within the audience are fully supervised at all times for their own safety and to ensure that the performance is not disturbed.

Please be aware that any photographs taken at the performance which include other children do not have permission to be posted on social media.

Thursday 12th December Parking

On Thursday, St Gregory's Church will be used as a polling station for the general election. Please can everyone park in the Village Hall car park before and after school on this day.

Friday 20th December, Christmas Assembly, St Gregory's Church

Parents and carers are welcome to join us at 2.00 pm in St Gregory's Church but the space is very restricted and there may not be space to stand.

Foodbank Vouchers

We are authorised to issue foodbank vouchers. If you are in need of this support please call us to speak to the Headteacher. We really hope that having this facility in school will help families access this much needed service.

Usual opening times are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10.30 am until 1.30 pm at St John's Community Centre, Rose Lane, Barnstaple, EX32 8PG, telephone 01271 329902.

Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service Free Home Safety Visits

Please find attached details of a free home safety visit for all families with children under the age of 18. Please note that the number to quote when asking for a free visit is 401.

School Dinner Payments

Please send in any arrears and the amount due for the last week of term by Monday 16th December as our accounts need to be balanced at the end of each term. If your child has a school meal we ask that their meal is paid for in advance. A school meal is £2.05 per day. Please make cheques payable to Devon County Council, or send cash in a sealed, envelope that has your child's name and the amount of money enclosed marked on it.

The Freedom Centre

We now have our shopping trolley outside the school for donations of food items to the Freedom Centre.

Thank you for generosity at this time of year, you do make a huge difference to vulnerable people.

Bread Bag Recycling

We are now collecting bread bags for recycling as well as crisp packets. Please find a poster attached and send in any crisp packets and bread bags separately.

Kind regards,

Claire Grant

Executive Headteacher

Diary Dates

Saturday 7 th December	Christmas Fair, Goodleigh Village Hall, 2.00pm-4.00pm
Wednesday 11 th December	Year 1 Multiskills Festival at Pilton Community College
Thursday 12 th December	Class 1 Afternoon Christmas Performance at 2.30pm
Friday 13 th December	Class 2 Evening Christmas Performance at 7.00pm
Monday 16 th December	Class 3 Evening Christmas Performance at 7.00pm
Tuesday 17 th December	Class 4 Evening Christmas Performance at 7.00pm
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Meal for the Children (non school uniform)
Friday 20 th December	Christmas Assembly in St Gregory's Church at 2.00pm Last day of term

The Members of Goodleigh United Church welcome all to their Christmas Services and Events including the Carol Service in the Village Hall on Sunday 15th December and Carols by Candlelight on Sunday 22nd December both events start at 6.30pm



CHRISTMAS MENU



Wednesday 18th December

Succulent Roast Turkey

or

Vegetarian Wellington or Quorn Roast (v)

served with

**Fresh Sprouts, Broccoli, Carrots and Honey
Roasted Parsnips, Pigs in Blankets, or
Quorn Mini Sausage (v), Roast Potatoes,
Stuffing Balls, Gravy and Cranberry Sauce**

followed by

Ice Cream with Christmas Tree Shortbread

or

Christmas Pudding with Cream

Or

Fresh Fruit Salad

Please pre-order by Wednesday 11th December