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# Millhouse Primary School Newsletter

A Small School with a Big Heart



#### Message from Mrs. Gray:

I'm definitely feeling in the festive mood! Yesterday, our choir performed at the FOMS decorating the Christmas tree event. Despite the chilly weather, they sang beautifully. Thank you to the FOMS group for organising such a lovely event and to everyone who came along to support us.

We'd also like to say a huge thank-you to Nigel Tyas Ironwork at Bullhouse Mill for sponsoring the Christmas tree and lights.

# THANK-YOU!

## **FOMS - Christmas Fayre**

It is a busy week for the FOMS group! On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, they are holding a Christmas Fayre in school (3:30pm – 5:00pm). We are still collecting donations for class hampers which form some of the raffle prizes. Each class has been allocated a colour and we would be grateful for any contributions by Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November: Class 1 (red); Class 2 (blue), Class 3 (green); Class 4 (silver); Class 5 (gold). We appreciate your support. Entrance to the Fayre will be via Reception, once the children have been dismissed at the end of the school day. Stalls will be located in the hall, Reception area and Class 2. There will be refreshments, a raffle, tombola, games, nail painting and tattoos. Children can visit Santa in his grotto. We hope you can come along and support us.

#### **Special Mentions Assembly**

Special Mentions were awarded on Friday to:

Class 1 – William and Jack

Class 2 – Kaleb and Lyrah

Class 3 – Caleb and Lucy

Class 4 – Ryan and Emily

Class 5 - Charlie and Leo

Fantastic effort!



#### **Attendance**

Class 3 achieved the highest attendance last week with 96.8%. They earn 5 minutes extra playtime.



### Remember every school day counts!

#### Late arrivals

We monitor the number of lates carefully and letters will be sent by school to any families where children have been late 5 times. If 10 lates occur, a letter from the Local Authority will be received. Please ensure children arrive before 9 o'clock. There was 2 recorded late w/c 21.11.22.



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# **Tough Tortoises**

We present Tough Tortoise certificates for being determined; persevering even when we find things hard; ignoring distractions.

In Friday's assembly, we awarded certificates

to:

Thomas (Class 1)

Naomi (Class 2)

Kate (Class 3)

Billy (Class 4)

Ruaridh (Class 5)



## **Class 3 Inspire morning**

Class 3 children are looking forward to welcoming their parents into school on Thursday morning for their Inspire Morning. The event starts at 9:00am – any parents attending, please come to Reception to sign in – and will be finished by 11:30am.

### **Christmas Dinner**

The school kitchen will be cooking a special Christmas dinner themed lunch on Wednesday 14th December. All children are invited to have a lunch on this day. Watch out for a text message which will be sent out to parents of children who usually have packed lunches. If your child would like a Christmas dinner all you have to do is follow the instructions in the text and pay for the dinner on our school money system – the cost is £2.40. The school office will then order a dinner for your child.

Please note that there will not be jacket potatoes available on this date. Christmas dinner is the only option. Payment needs to be received by **Friday 9**<sup>th</sup> **December**.

#### **Key Stage 1 Nativity**

Tickets are now on sale (£1 each) for our Key Stage 1 performances of *A Fireside Nativity* on Tuesday 6th December at 2:15pm or Wednesday 7th December at 9:30am. Two tickets for each performance have been allocated per child. You can log on to School Money to purchase your tickets. Please contact the school office if you need support with this.

Rehearsals are in full swing – we are sure you are in for a treat!



# **Children in Need Competition Winners!**

Congratulations to the winners of the Children in Need competition organised and judged by the School Council. There were some fantastic t-shirt designs!

Class 1 – Elliza

Class 2 - Jim

Class 3 - Charley R

Class 4 - Holly F

Class 5 - Phoebe

#### **Healthy Holiday Clubs**

Healthy Holiday clubs are running again for 5 days from 19th to 23rd December for families in receipt of benefit related free school meals. There are some fantastic clubs available around Barnsley during the holidays. These are all free and will include a range of fun sports and enriching activities, as well as at least one delicious meal each day. A leaflet is attached to this week's newsletter with full details.