



High Academic Standards: Sporting Opportunities: Caring Relationships: Musical Excellence: Christian Values

18 th December	Christmas Jumper Day £1 in bucket, Father Christmas Visit via Teams (Ssh – Don't tell the children!) Last day of term
21st December	PTA virtual bingo
21-23 Dec	ACE Sports Holiday Club at WFS (ASCHolidayClubs@yahoo.com)
4 th January	School opens for Spring term – same staggered start and finish times as this term
Monday 18 January	Walk to school week
5 th July	School Photos
26th - 28th July	INSET DAYS

Self managers	Effective participators	Resourceful thinkers	Reflective learners	Independent enquirers	Team workers
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Headteacher's Citizenship Award

Class		Teachers comment
R	Alex	Alex has been nominated by Mrs Holmes and Miss Mayfield because of his thinking about the importance of Jesus in the Christmas Story. Alex said. "He is the light of the world and brings peace to the Earth. Mary and Joseph are important because he is their baby."
1	Noah	Noah was concentrating really hard in our PE session on Thursday. He had obviously been listening to the previous lessons as he demonstrated excellent skills in his gymnastics. He was completing his jumps and turns really well. Well done Noah!
2	Saoirse	Saoirse has made super progress this week in Maths. Not only can she use column addition and subtraction, but she has also learnt to exchange when subtracting. This is amazing work for year 2 and I'm extremely proud of Saoirse for her continued enthusiasm and resilience when faced with new challenging concepts. Well done!
3	Eadie	This week in English, the focus has been on writing our own version of Jack and the Baked Beanstalk. Eadie wrote some really super sentences but what impressed us the most was that she was able to re-read it and correctly put in the missing full stops. She also wowed us with some great vocabulary. Well done Eadie, we are very proud of you!
4	Isla Y	Isla really impressed me with her RE work this week. Her finished piece of work showed an excellent understanding and was very imaginative and creative. The attention to detail was brilliant! She also made some thoughtful contributions during class discussions. Well done Isla!
5	Noah	I would like to nominate Noah this week because of the maturity he shows in the classroom. He manages his own behaviour so well and is such a brilliant role model. We are so grateful to have Noah to set an example to others. Thank you Noah.

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6	Charlie B	This week we have been constructing Viking longboats and Charlie's perseverance, persistence and resilience has thrilled me. He has worked independently to create a fantastic ship managing his time and resources carefully in the process over several days. Well done Charlie!
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Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 18 December 2020

Don't forget that tomorrow is Christmas Jumper day. There will be collection buckets at the school gates for you to put your £1 donations into.

Carols on the Doorstep

Premier Christian radio are hosting a "Carols on the Doorstep" event on 20th December at 5.30pm. More information, carol sheets, posters and invitations are available on the link below. It's a perfect follow on to our own Christmas videos. Why not invite your street to take part, crank up the radio or TV and sing your heart out ... you know you want to!

<https://www.premierchristianradio.com/Christmas/Carols-on-the-Doorstep>

PTA Thankyou - From Everyone at School

A big thankyou to the PTA for all the things they have provided the children with this Christmas – the party bags, books and the online Panto. It really has helped to make it a special time for the children in school. If your child has not been able to watch the pantomime for any reason, then you can use this link to enjoy watching the performance together:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZkjA_RTc7Gw

PTA News

Last call for Raffle tickets!

We have very limited numbers of tickets left to win one of 75 amazing prizes. Please email the PTA at WWoodsPTA@hotmail.com telling us how many tickets you would like. We will then email you the details needed to pay by BACS. Tickets are £5 each. Ticket sales will close on Friday evening. The draw will be shown on Sunday 20th December on our Facebook page www.Facebook.co.uk/WoodboroughWoodsPTA

Festive dress up day

Friday 18th December is festive dress up day. Come in non-uniform with your favourite Christmas jumper! Donations to be placed in a bucket on Friday Morning. Please adhere to social distancing.

It's not too late to order a lovely photo with Santa. The digital images are just £5 each with £1 going straight to the PTA. Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for further information.

We hope everyone enjoyed the Panto and their treat bags. (Classes 2 and 5 will receive theirs in January when back at school). The PTA have also paid for all the gifts from Santa.

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We hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas Break. Thank you so much for your continued support, it really does make a huge difference. We will announce the total amount raised from all the 'Christmas Capers' events on our Facebook page on Sunday 20th December.

Merry Christmas and a very happy new year to you all.
Lisa Ford (PTA Chair)

'It Begins In Bethlehem'

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, the very kind people at St. Swithin's Church have provided a book for every child in school for Christmas. It is called 'It Begins in Bethlehem' and is a rhyming Nativity story. We have now received these in school and will send them out on Thursday, after they have been quarantined. If your child is off from school, we will give these to them when they get back after the Christmas holidays.

Christmas Video's – Available to View Until 31 December 2020

All Christmas videos are now online and can be found on our website (not the online classrooms). Just go to our school website, <https://www.woodsfoundation.notts.sch.uk/> and then go to the 'Classes' tab. The video for each class can be found in their class areas. We very much hope you enjoy watching them, as much as we have enjoyed making them for you. Although these are available to view on our website, can I politely remind you that you should not be copying and distributing images on any social media platform, which is the request we would normally make if the performances had taken place 'live' in school.

Christmas Cards

All the cards that were received in school, were given to the children on Wednesday. For those children not at school, we will give these out on the first day back after Christmas, as will the book from church, the PTA party bag and the present from Santa. The staff at school have asked me to pass on their thanks for the cards they have received. It's very thoughtful of you and much appreciated.

Class Christmas Parties

All the children in school have thoroughly enjoyed their Christmas parties this week. For children in Class 2 and Class 5 – don't worry! We can't let your Christmas go by without a school party. So, when you come back in the New Year, you are going to be able to enjoy your party, like the rest of the school.

Remote Learning

This week, we have had to take our learning online for Class 2 and Class 5. During the first lockdown, we were able to provide work for the children through their online classrooms (VLE). Following new Government guidance, which came into effect in October 2020, part of our provision has to be 'live' or pre-recorded lessons that the children can access.

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This week, both classes have been able to take part in 'live' sessions, via Microsoft Teams, with their class teacher and teaching assistants. This has consisted of whole class times, group lessons and also independent work – just like the children would do in the classroom.

I am very pleased to say these have gone extremely well and although there have been a few technical issues, the children have really benefitted from being taught by their teachers and teaching assistants, as well as still having the feeling of being part of their class and school community.

Not only is this success down to the many staff in and out of school making this work, but also the parents who have had to organise their work patterns to accommodate this. Thank you to everyone involved.

If we have to close any classrooms in the future, then in accordance with the Government guidance, we will be implementing this type of remote learning again. Full details of exactly how it will work will be communicated via email and the school APP to the class or classes concerned.

School Uniform - Earring Policy

You may remember that in the newsletter dated 1 October 2020, we stated that there would be a grace period up to the 31 December 2020 allowing the wearing of earrings and retainers in school. Please be aware that when the children return to school on 4 January 2021, the school's policy (which is approved by the Governing Body) of no earrings or retainers will apply.

As also stated in the same newsletter, during the Spring term we will be carrying out a consultation with regards to the policy. In the meantime, for the safety your child, we respectfully request that you adhere to the policy and do not send them into school wearing either earrings or retainers.

Updated guidance for parents and carers during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak

Here are some quick links to Government guidance that you may find useful:

- [guidance on what parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges](#)
- [guidance for parents and carers of children attending out-of-school settings](#)
- <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-restriction-tiers-what-you-need-to-know>
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/making-a-christmas-bubble-with-friends-and-family/making-a-christmas-bubble-with-friends-and-family#if-you-are-clinically-extremely-vulnerable>

As a school, we still have a responsibility for six days after we close, to be available for track and trace. If your child displays symptoms and receives a positive test result, you must inform the school immediately via office@woodsfoundation.notts.sch.uk We can then contact the other children in their class and inform them about isolating.

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Please keep yourselves safe over the Christmas period, being mindful of the guidance we all must follow. We want to see you all back at school, safe and sound in the New Year.

Christmas Letter from The Director of Education (Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham)

At the end of this newsletter you can find a Christmas message from the Diocesan Director of Education.

End of Term Thank You

Can I take this opportunity to thank you all for the support you have given all the staff, teachers and children in the school throughout this term. It's been very challenging for all members of our school community (including parents), but with your support and understanding, we have enjoyed a very happy and successful term.

On behalf of everyone at school, can I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Mr Asplin



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December 2020

Dear Parents, Carers, Children and Young People,

First of all, may I wish you a very happy, warm and hope-filled Christmas?



This has been a difficult year, as you know all too well. As we pause over the next few weeks and then welcome 2021, we have an opportunity to reflect on all that has happened during these challenging times.

During this season of generosity, can I urge us all to give each other the gift of safety? Please take special care even as you celebrate with your loved ones. Enjoy Christmas in ways that keep everyone healthy and protected. The Grinch this year is called Covid – please make sure he doesn't spoil things, now or in January when we will see each other again.

To our parents and carers, I want to thank you for the way you have supported those who lead and work in our schools and academies. They have needed your co-operation and encouragement, so I want to thank you for giving them those gifts.

To all who work in and with our schools, you are unsung heroes. You have created safe spaces in which our young people could thrive and learn. Thank you so much for your professionalism, your commitment and your many sacrifices along the way.

To all our children and young people, you have been amazing. You have coped so well with new ways of doing things. Your warm smiles, excellent manners and hard work have encouraged all those who look after you. Thank you.

God's light still shines into the darkness. May you have a peaceful, joyful and safe Christmas.



Yours,

Nigel Frith
Diocesan Director of Education

Wisdom
Hope
Community
Dignity

**'I have come that
they may have life,
and have it to the full.'**
John 10:10

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Or email santaphotonorthpole@gmail.com

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ASC Christmas Holiday Clubs Held at Woodborough Woods C of E Primary School

During the day we will have lots of activities to keep the children active.

These will include :

A mixture of sports

Team building

Christmas arts and crafts

Team competitions

Christmas disco plus much more...

Full day runs 8am - 5pm (Half days available)

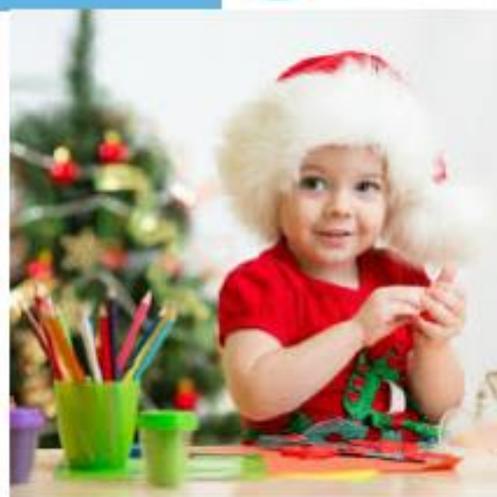
£25 per child, siblings booked on same day will be £20.

Open to children aged 4+, from all schools

All government guidelines will be followed throughout our holiday clubs to ensure everyones safety.

We will be running the following dates:

December 21st, 22nd and 23rd



To make a booking please email:
ASCHolidayClubs@yahoo.com

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