

Friday 21st December 2018

As this is my final newsletter of 2018 and we are rapidly approaching the end of term, I wanted to update you on a few things and let you know of some key dates for the spring term.

PSA events

There have been three very successful PSA events this term. Our lower school and upper school discos were very well attended and the children (and adults) had a great time. As always, the children were exceptionally well behaved, very polite when buying their drinks and sweets and they were a credit to themselves and their families. Thanks must go to the parents and staff on the committee, and the large number of staff who supported this event.

Our Christmas bingo held earlier this month was also a good evening. Thank you very much to Ann Knaggs for her usual good humour and slick bingo calling skills, as well as the parents and staff who helped on the night to make the bingo a success.

The total profit raised from these events is £937.54!

Christmas carol singing



Choir members from years 3 through to 6 have visited the local residential homes listed below to sing to the elderly residents. In addition they sang at Hotel 41 to the Driffield Stroke Club.

- Riverhead Hall
- Northfield Manor
- The White House
- Woodlands
- Easterfield Court

On Tuesday evening, 30 children also sang at a Christmas service at All Saints Church. Sadly I was unable to attend but I am aware that they sang beautifully.

As always, we have had super feedback about our children's singing and their positive, respectful behaviour; I'm sure the children will have made lots of people in our community very happy in the lead up to Christmas. Well done everyone for thinking about others; you have been a credit to the school! Thank you.

I would like to thank Mrs Salter for organising and leading these visits, and also the staff who have

supported her (Mrs Cartwright, Mrs Chesterfield, Mrs Mattimoe and Mrs Thomson).

Christmas Play

Thank you to those who came to watch the children perform their Christmas play 'Will Santa Get Shot Down?' It was a moving performance that we all enjoyed very much.

Well done to each and every child who was in the performance, and also to those children who contributed behind the scenes in any way. You were a fantastic team and should be proud of what you achieved.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to Miss Wilson and all the other staff who helped towards making it all possible.

Staffing

In January we will be welcoming a new member of staff, Mrs Walker, to the teaching assistant team. She will be supporting in year 5.

Dates for next term

Tues 8th January	School opens
Fri 15th February	PSA Valentine's disco
Fri 15th February	Break up for half term
Mon 25 th February	School opens
Wed 27 th February	Parents Eve – details later
Thurs 28th February	Parents Eve – details later
Mon 11 th – Wed 13 th March	Y6 residential visit to Dobroyd Castle
Wed 3 rd April	Y4 Easter assembly – 9.20am – Y4 parents welcome
Thurs 4 th April	Egg Decorating day – eggs on display in classrooms after school for parents to view. Details to follow.
Fri 5 th April	Egg rolling competitions – details to follow
Fri 5 th April	Break up for Easter
Tues 23 rd April	School re-opens

Finally I would like to thank you all for your continued support for the school and I wish all children, parents/carers, staff and Governors a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year. **School re-opens on Tuesday 8th January at the usual time. See you all in 2019.**

L J Laird