



Middleton St Mary's News 7



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Lunch boxes



The above chocolate bars and sweets have been found in children's lunch boxes this week. These are not allowed for consumption in school as part of a child's snack or lunch during the school day. They do not follow school policy as they contain too much sugar. Any child with these at school will be asked to take them home and not be allowed to eat them. Children will be given a piece of fruit to eat instead. As a school we have a duty of care to our children

September 2016, Universal Free School meals were introduced to all Key Stage one children. This is a FREE school dinner for every child aged 4-7 in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. This has saved a lot of time and money for so many families but **16** children do not take up this offer which could save families over **£500 per year**, we urge our families to take up this wonderful offer! Most children seem to really enjoy the variety that a school meal offers, but unfortunately a school meal doesn't work for every child. Our school meals are cooked on site by Leeds City Council and follow the School Food Standards - Section 114A School Standards and Framework Act 1998 requires that food and drink provided to pupils at schools in England complies with certain nutritional standards. Please see our Food Policy on our school website.

Schools are allowed to set their own policies regarding the types of food consumed on their premises during the school day and, provided that the policies implemented by the schools do not breach the school's obligations under the Equality Act 2010 or any other relevant legislation, schools are free to determine what their pupils bring to school to eat during the day and, if their policies allow, to confiscate or challenge the inclusion of prohibited items within packed lunches.

Read more at <https://change4life.service.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

Christingle Service...this Thursday

On Thursday 20th December, we will be holding our annual Christingle Service in Church.

Years 3-Year 6 will start at **1.15pm** and
Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will start at **2.15pm**.

If you can walk with your child's class to church, please speak to your child's class teacher tomorrow so that they are aware and arrive at the office 15 minutes early. Due to health and safety, parents with pushchairs or buggies cannot walk with us but instead can meet us in church. We would love to see you!

Sadly, due to space (new library and hall in use) we cannot invite parents in this year to make Christingles, thank you for your understanding.



Thank you

to everyone who supported our school Christmas Fayre in any shape or form and especially to Miss Walker and staff for giving up their time to organise it. We raised an amazing amount of **£1169.25**. This money has been used towards purchasing three new ipads for the children. The school budget has funded a further 57! ☺

At the fayre, we also said congratulations to Miss K Walker, our very own Miss Christmas, whose boyfriend proposed to her after the choir had sung!

Thank you to everyone who came and those who donated prizes. Special thanks go to:

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| Beacon Construction and Joinery Ltd | GAOS productions |
| Crossgates Recreation Club | Asda |
| Little Bird Café | Boden Carpets |
| B&M | Sainsburys |
| NIC Cleaning | |

Diary Dates

Monday 17th December – Christmas Parties!
Children come to school in non-uniform on their party day. Please continue to send in your 'party pounds'

Wednesday 19th – Year 3 & 4

Friday 21st – Year 5 & 6

Thursday 20th Dec – Christmas Dinner Day (please order if your child does not usually have a dinner).

Christingle in Church – Year 3 - Year 6 - 1.15pm
Reception – Year 2 - 2.15pm

Friday 21st December – School Closes for Christmas
Monday 7th January – School Opens Spring Term 8.45am