



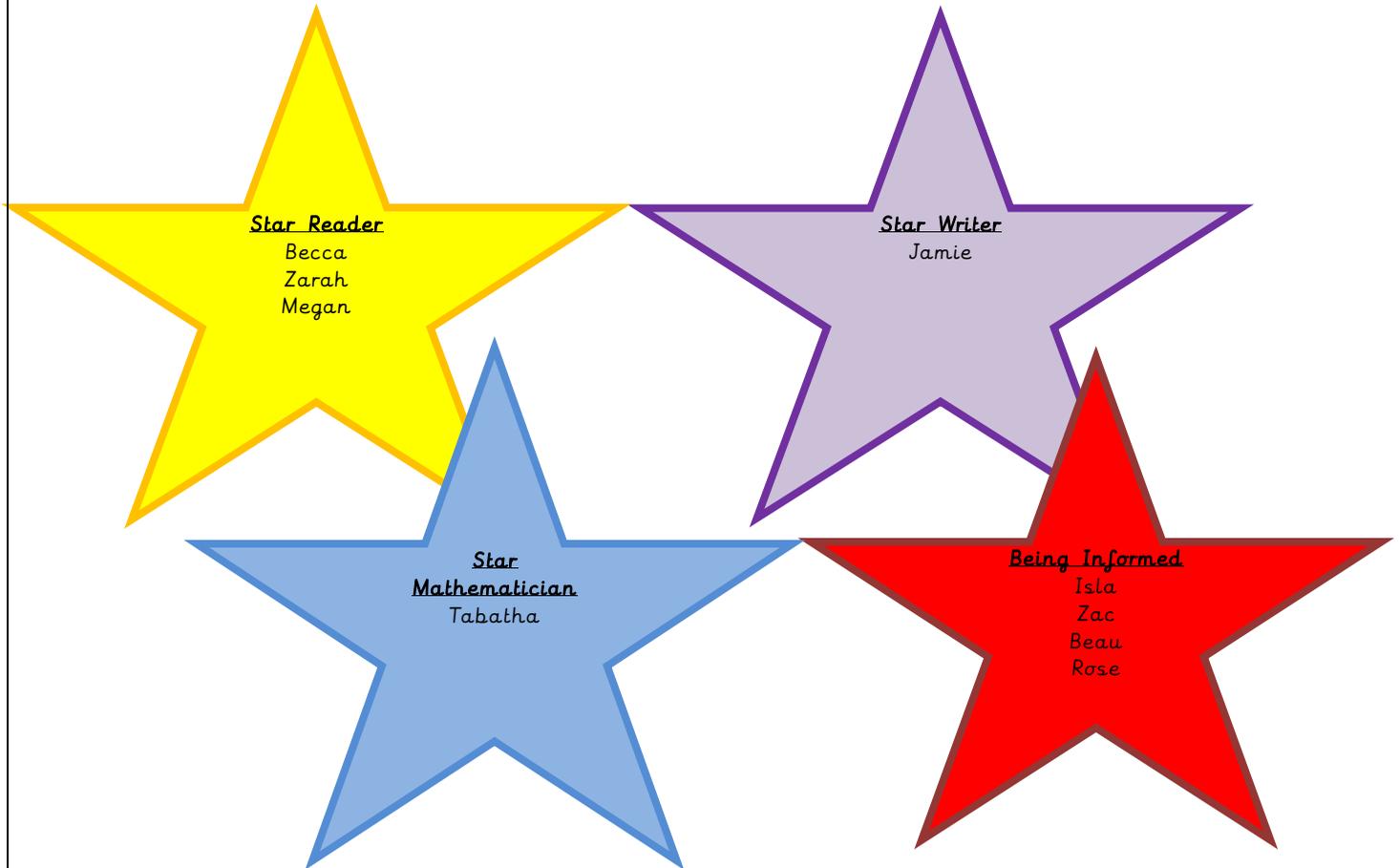
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2018 Residential – sign up for next years residential to Bewerley Park has now closed, and the full balance is available for payment on parentpay. This can be paid in installments but the balance must be paid in full by Friday 1st June. Transport has now been arranged and is available for payment on parentpay also.

Collective Worship – thankyou to everyone who has attended our collective worship sessions on Mondays. We hope you enjoy them as much as we do. This will be taking place weekly on Mondays at 14:15 in the school hall, with the exception of Monday 11th December. Please remember this is not a performance by any particular children or classes, but rather a celebration of our school ethos and Christian values. The service will last approximately 20 minutes, after which we ask children remain in school until 15:30 as normal.

22nd Dec - we invite all pupils to dress in red and bring a donation for the Childrens Heart Surgery Fund at LGI. This is in honour of Frasier Rusling, who sadly passed anyway this week. Frasier and his family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Parking – please be reminded that when parking outside school you do so in a safe and considerate manner. Zig zags need to be kept clear, pavements need to have enough room for wheelchairs and prams, and enough room left on the road for vehicles to get past.

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Non Uniform Day – on Friday 15th December, we will be holding a non-uniform day to support 2 great causes. The first, Save the Children, and the second our very own Eco club who are hoping to raise enough funds to buy litter pickers, high-viz jackets, timers and badges. The theme is Christmas jumpers, and we ask for a £1 donation from all children – proceeds will be split 50/50.

Christmas Presents – we will have a small selection of lovely gifts for children to buy for their nearest and dearest from Monday in the school office. £3 per present.

SIAMS – we are delighted to announce in our recent inspection we achieved a ‘Good’ status. A copy of the report can be found on our website.

Christmas Parties – these will be held on the afternoon of December 22nd. Children will have chance to buy a hotdog for 50p, no change of clothes required as children will be dressed in red anyway. If anyone would like to send in party food please remember to keep it nut free. A big thank you to parents and friends for buying a selection box for every child, these will be given out on 22nd December by Santa!

After School Club – next terms booking form for our after school club is now available from the school office. If you would like a form sent home please contact us.

Christmas Dates

Please note the change in time below – All classes will now have their Christmas service at 14:30 on Monday 11th December. Please remember this is not a performance, but a Christian service in which we invite you to pray with us.

Class	Date	Time	Event
Starfish and Dolphins	Monday 11 th December	14:30	Christmas service in church
Lions and Eagles	Monday 11 th December	14:30	Christmas service in church
Starfish and Starfish Explorers	Wednesday 13 th December	14:00	Nativity
Dolphins	Thursday 14 th December	14:00	Nativity
Lions and Eagles	Wednesday 20 th December	14:00	Christmas carol singalong



School Lottery – our school lottery is now online, and we really need your support! You can sign up at <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/kirk-smeaton-ce-primary-school/supporter>. This term, all ticket holders will also be entered into a nationwide draw to win Kindle. We are quite a way from our goal number of people signing up so please sign up as soon as you can.



Reception New Starters 2018 – if your child is due to start in reception from September 2018, remember the deadline for getting applications in is January 15th 2018, and applications must be made to your home authority. Don't forget, that even if your child is currently enrolled in our nursery, you will still need to go through the application process for starting in Reception class.

Shoebox Appeal – if you would like to donate towards this years Shoebox Appeal, you can find instructions and options at <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>. Here you can read about the project, donate prepacked boxes, or find out how to create and donate your own gift.

Forest Schools – places are now open for Forest Schools from January. If you would like to book a place or need more information please contact Sally@grassrootsmuddyboots.com

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Golden Mile – this year, each class will be doing their best to run / walk a mile of the school field each day (per child). Our aim is to see how far around the world we can reach before we break up for the summer. So far we have completed 420 miles meaning we have now made it across Ireland and into the Atlantic Ocean!

Lost Property – we've accumulated over 40 items of lost property this term, including coats, jumpers, trousers and socks – none labelled or collected. If you think any may be yours please pop into the school office before we break up for Christmas. Anything not claimed after this point will be donated to charity.

Tag Rugby – congratulations to our Lions who won their tag rugby tournament last week!



School Dinners – next terms menu is attached to this weeks newsletter – if you would like to alter your meal plan to reflect your childs preference, please let the school office know by Friday 15th December.

Message from Pudsey Bear - We challenged the nation to hunt for old round pound coins and donate them to BBC Children in Need. And it's not too late! Hunt around under your sofa cushions, in the car glove box, in the bottom of your handbag, work bag or gym bag. Check your change jars, piggy banks and coat pockets and see how many you can find. Once you've found them, don't forget to donate them to make them count! It's so easy to do; just pop any you find along to the school office. You can no longer spend your old pound coins, but we can still collect them and put them to work helping to change young lives.

Starfish Explorers – if your child has now turned 3 and you would like them to start in our afternoon nursery from January, you should by now of sent in your admission forms to the school office. If you haven't registered your child with us, or would like an admission pack sending out please contact us by Friday 15th December.

Sports Trips – our trips to sporting events at Campsount have being going great this year and we would love to continue them into the next school year. Unfortunately these opportunities will not be available if we don't receive many contributions so please remember that we ask for a £2 donation towards each trip. Thank you in advance.

Artwork – if you would like to purchase your childs artwork, there's still time to get your order in. Just let the school office know by Friday the 15th December. £4 per masterpiece!

Important dates for your diary

Monday, 11 th December 2017 @ 14:30	KS1 and KS2 Christmas Service In Church
Wednesday, 13 th December 2017 @ 14:00	EYFS Nativity
Thursday, 14 th December 2017 @ 14:00	KS1 Nativity
Friday, 15 th December 2017	Non Uniform Day (£1 donation, Christmas jumper theme)
Wednesday, 20 th December 2017 @ 14:00	KS2 Christmas Carol Singalong in School Hall
Friday, 22 nd December 2017	Non Uniform Day (wear red)
Frida, 22 nd December 2017	Christmas Party Afternoon
Tuesday, 16 th January 2018 @ 15:45	Y5 and Y6 SATS Parent Info Session
Tuesday, 23 rd January 2018 @ 15:45	Y2 SATS Parent Info Session
Tuesday, 30 th January 2018 @ 15:45	Y1 Phonics Parent Info Session

St Peters Church, Kirk Smeaton

Monday, 18 th December 2017 @ 18:00	Carol Service
Sunday, 24 th December 2017 @ 21:15	First Communion of Christmas

St Martin's Church, Womersley

Friday, 22 nd December 2017 @ 19:30	Carols By Candlelight
Saturday, 23 rd December 2017 @ 15:00	Crib Service
Sunday, 24 th December 2017 @ 23:00	First Mass of Christmas

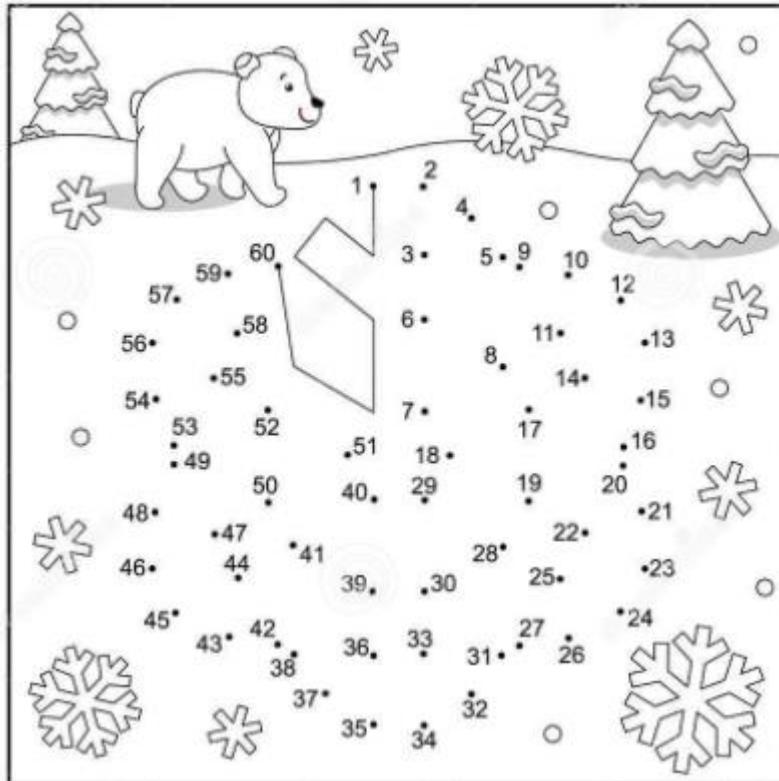
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