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Date: Friday, 11th December 2015

Dear parents/carers

Firstly, I would like to welcome Mrs Maltby to the team and also congratulate Mrs Marnier on her new position. A special well done to all the children for the time and effort spent on performances, rehearsals and singing. A huge thank you to all the Kirk Smeaton staff, for the hard work and dedication they have shown to make all these things possible.

Thank you.

Mrs Cuddy

School Office staff – January 2016

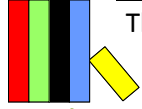
You may already be aware that Mrs Sayner (School Business Manager) will be retiring at the end of March 2016 after many years of hard work and commitment to our School. With effect from January 2016 Mrs Sayner will be working reduced hours in preparation for her retirement and to assist with the smooth transition of office staff into their new roles.

Interviews have recently been carried out and we are pleased to advise Mrs J Maltby will become our new School Administrator from January 2016. Initially Mrs Maltby will be working three mornings per week on our front office reception with a view to increasing these hours once Mrs Sayner fully retires.

Well done to Mrs Marnier who will step in to the role of School Business Manager with effect from April 2016.

Taking and using videos and photographs at Kirk Smeaton C of E School – If you haven't already done so, please return the form at your earliest convenience, ensuring you sign and tick in the appropriate place on the form.

Christingle - Our Key Stage 2 Christingle Christmas Service is fast approaching on Monday 14th December.



This promises to be a wonderful evening service led by Lions and Eagles classes to celebrate the advent.

We kindly ask that if your child (in Lions or Eagles Class) is **unable to attend**, that you inform the office as soon as possible so their role can be re-allocated.

If all children taking part in the service (key stage 2) could meet staff at St Peter's church at 5.50pm ready for a prompt 6pm start. All KS1 children (Starfish and Dolphins classes) are welcome to attend.

The Christingle service will be in support of the charity 'The Children's Society' and donations will be collected during the church service. If you are unable to attend, but would like to make a donation, please kindly drop your donation at the school office where it will be forwarded to the charity.

Midday Supervisor Assistant Vacancy. We currently have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor Assistant. 5 hours per week (12-1pm Monday – Friday) to start in January 2016.

If you are interested or know of anyone who may be interested, please contact the office.

Further details and the application form are available on our website.

Sue Brierleys Dance Performances- During the last week of School before the Christmas break, Mrs Brierley would like to invite all parents whose children attend her various dance classes to a 10 minute performance of what they have learned. This will be for the Monday, Tuesday and Friday class. Please arrive 10 minutes before the normal class finish time.

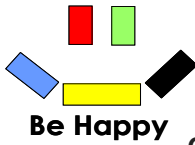
Also, if there are any outstanding payments please pass them to Sue before the end of half term or you can also pass to the School office to forward onto Sue.

With effect from January 2016, Sue will be offering an extended session on a Tuesday until 5.30pm. This will be an additional cost of £2. Please register your interest with Sue or the School if you would like your child to be included in this.



Complete Sport After School Club – Places are filling up quickly for Complete Sports clubs from January

(please see the letter sent home last week) Both clubs are for all children from year 1 to year 6. If your child would like a place and you haven't already done so, please contact Clayton direct or let the office know.



Christmas Cards – Post boxes will be around school from next week for children who would like to send Christmas cards. Starfish & Dolphins have their own post box in class. Could we please ask children in Lions & Eagles to use to post box in the main pupil entrance.

Christmas Parties – Clothing Children may bring party clothes in a named carrier bag to change into for their Christmas party (see important dates section)

Christmas Party Food- This year, rather than us being inundated with lots of food that we cannot possibly eat, we have decided to have hot dogs and buns/treats instead. So rather than looking out for the class lists and popping your name against a food item to bring as in previous years, we are just requesting hot dog bread rolls and buns please!

We already have hot dog sausages that were kindly donated by parents recently. Please don't go mad, just a few small donations of the above items would be very much appreciated!

Team points- Please see below for this week's Team Points and the cumulative total!

| This week | Overall |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| Yellow Centaurs= 51 | Yellow Centaurs= 934 |
| Blue Minotaurs=73 | Blue Minotaurs=922 |
| Green Griffins= 151 | Green Griffins= 1411 |
| Red Dragons= 93 | Red Dragons= 1225 |

Congratulations to Green Griffins who will enjoy a Cinema morning in the school hall next Friday morning!

Attendance – Whole School Attendance **to date** – 97.01%

(Attendance is calculated up to and including the previous Friday)



Congratulations to
Dolphins Class!

| w/c 30/11/15 | |
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| Whole school | 94.30% |
| Starfish | 95.19% |
| Dolphins | 98.33% |
| Lions | 94.55% |
| Eagles | 91.43% |

Kind Regards,

Mrs A Marner

Important dates for your diary

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| Collective Worship with Fr Adrian | 2 nd Tuesday of each month at 1pm |
| Carols around the Tree (balloons) | Friday, 11th December 2015 @ 2.45pm |
| Christingle in St Peters Church | Monday, 14 th December 2015 @ 6pm |
| KS2 Christmas Party | Tuesday, 15 th December 2015 @ 2pm |
| KS1 Christmas Party | Wednesday, 16 th December 2015 @ 2pm |
| Christmas Service (St Peters Church) | Thursday, 17 th December 2015 @ 2pm |
| Christmas Jumper Day | Friday, 18 th December 2015 |
| School Closes | Friday, 18 th December 2015 |
| Carol Service – St Peters Church | Monday, 21 st December @ 6pm |
| Carols by Candlelight (St Martins Church, Womersley) | Monday, 21 st December 2015 @ 7.30pm |
| School opens | Tuesday, 5 th January 2016 |