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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you

Thank you to all of you who helped us to raise money for Children In Need - £150 and the Poppy Appeal - £212!

Christmas Jumper Day & Santa Dash

We are holding our Christmas Jumper Day and Santa Dash on Friday 9th December. Children may come to school in a Christmas jumper if they wish to do so. During this day the whole school will be taking part in a run together to promote physical activity and fun whilst wearing Christmas jumpers!

Christmas Performances

This year the children will be performing a production of 'The Shiniest Star' for our Christmas play. We are delighted to invite families back into school for our first in-person Christmas performance since 2019! However, as our school has grown since then we cannot accommodate everyone in the hall at once. Therefore, we have decided to put on two performances - one on Monday 19th December at 1:30pm for all families who have children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2. The second will be on Tuesday 20th December at 9:30am for our families who have children in Years 3-6.

Both performances will be identical with all age groups performing in both. If you have children in both key stage 1 and 2 please could you only attend one performance so that the hall does not get too overcrowded and everyone has the chance to see their child perform.

We must also ask that only two people attend the performance per family please. I hope you understand that we are simply trying to ensure that all families get a chance to attend working with the small space that we have. Thank you for your co-operation.

Christmas Lunch

Christmas Lunch for the children will take place on Wednesday 14th December. The cost will be £2.20 for any child in Y3/4/5/6 who wishes to join us. Children in Reception, Year 1 & 2 will receive the dinner free of charge due to the Universal Free School Meals scheme. Children may still bring a packed lunch on this day if they wish to do so.





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Christmas Party

The Christmas Party will be on Thursday 22nd December. Our cook has kindly offered to make the party food for the school lunch. This will cost £2.20 per child if they are in Y3/4/5/6 and wish to take part. Children in Reception to Year 2 have free school meals as part of the Government scheme. Children should come to school already dressed in their warm party clothes and with their outdoor footwear. No heels or sandals please.

Christmas Panto

All the children will have the delightful opportunity to watch a Panto performance of *Sleeping Beauty* in school on the afternoon of Thursday 22nd December. This has been kindly purchased by the Home School Association.

Christmas Fayre

The school Christmas Fayre will take place this Saturday 3rd December 10-12pm at Longframlington Memorial Hall. Everyone is welcome with fun activities and refreshments for all the family. Please help us to raise money for our School!

Outstanding payments

All outstanding balances for the Autumn Term for dinner, milk, and trips must be settled before the end of term please. If you need to know how much you owe, please contact the school office.

Wrap Around Care Payments

All outstanding balances for the Autumn Term must be settled before the end of term please. Invoices will be issued in the last week of term via Parentmail. If you need to know how much you owe, please contact the school office.

Swimming

Swimming will commence in the Spring Term beginning each Monday from 9th January (first day back!) for the pupils in Year 3 to Year 6. Swimming will take place on Monday afternoons at the Willowburn Leisure Centre. Please may we request voluntary contributions of £5 per session to cover the cost of the lesson and the coach travel. This amount has been subsidised by the school. There will be a swimming consent form and online payment option via ParentMail to complete before the end of term. Thank you.





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Milk

For those children who would like to have milk in the Spring Term (January to April) it will cost £14 for the term. Please indicate on the forthcoming Parentmail form if you wish to pay for milk. The order will be placed before the end of term for all of those who have paid. No changes can be made after this date. A Parent Pay online option will be available in the next few days.

New Year Opening Dates

Children will be returning to school after the Christmas holidays on Monday 9th January 2023.

Warmest Regards,
Louise Fletcher

Festive Dates for Diaries

Friday 9 th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Santa Dash
Wednesday 14 th December	Christmas Lunch
Monday 19 th December	Christmas performance at 1:30pm (KS1)
Tuesday 20 th December	Christmas performance at 9:30am (KS2)
Thursday 22 nd December	Christmas Panto visits school
Thursday 22 nd December	Christmas Party
Thursday 22 nd December	Children break up for Christmas holidays
Monday 9 th January 2023	Back to school

