



12th December 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had a wonderful week as we continue our Christmas celebrations. Our Reception children held their Nativity. It was lovely to watch; the children sang beautifully and told the Christmas story with big smiles and lots of confidence. We are very proud of them all. Thank you to the staff for helping the children practise, and to all the families who came to watch.

Food support over the Christmas period

A reminder that an email was sent to all parents from the school office this week sharing information on ways to access free or low-cost food and also how to self-refer to our local food banks over the Christmas period. This information is also displayed on our school noticeboard should any of our families need this over the festive period.

Crazy Clothes Day

It was fantastic to see everyone wearing their Crazy Clothes last week for our PTA Crazy Clothes Day. We had bright coloured outfits, mismatched socks, wacky hair styles and some odd accessories (especially Mr Easton with his tinsel scarf and his swimming goggles!). We raised a grand total of **£106.63** which the PTA will put towards resources for the school and opportunities for all our pupils. Thank you to the PTA for organising and to everyone who took part and joined in the fun!

Class Christmas Parties

Each class will be holding their Christmas party on **Wednesday 17th December in the afternoon. This is a change of date to that previously advertised.** Please provide your child with a paper plate of food to enjoy in the afternoon if you wish. We will be wearing our school uniform on this day to avoid losing valuable party time by getting changed.





Carol Service

We will be holding our Christmas Carol Service at St Botolph's Church at 9:30am on Thursday 17th December. The children will come into school to be registered, and we will walk down to the church as we usually do. We would love to see as many of you as possible at the church to join us in celebrating this wonderful time of the year.

PE Days – Term 3

Next term, PE Days will be Monday and Thursday for **all pupils**. We ask that pupils wear their **PE kit with their school jumper** on PE Days.

Limited Spaces in After-School Provision

Due to important staff training on the following dates, spaces in our after-school provision will be limited. Please only book your child on these days if you have no alternative childcare available:

- Wednesday 21 January 2026
- Wednesday 11 February 2026
- Wednesday 25 March 2026

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Attendance Matters

Good attendance is essential for helping children grow in confidence, maintain strong routines, and make steady academic progress. In fact, a DfE report on the link between attendance and attainment shows that pupils with better attendance are **significantly more likely** to achieve strong academic results. This week, our highest attendance was achieved by Zephaniah class with **94.8%** – well done on a brilliant effort!



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Every student. Every day.



Term 2 Activities

The timetable for PE and Swimming for Term 2 is shown below:

PE timetable Term 2	Class
Monday	Morpurgo
Tuesday	Dahl and Zephaniah
Wednesday	Donaldson
Thursday	Seuss, Donaldson and Zephaniah
Friday	Seuss, Dahl and Rauf

Swimming Term 2	Class
Tuesday	Year 5 Rauf and Year 6 Morpurgo



Term 2	
Tuesday 16 th December	Year 1 Nativity to parents @9am
Wednesday 17 th December	Class Christmas parties (pm). See above. *change of date*
Thursday 18 th December	Carol Service at St Botolph's Church @9:30am – All welcome to join us.
Thursday 18 th December	Open Afternoon for all parents @2:30pm An opportunity to share with your child their learning from the Autumn term.
Friday 19 th December	Finish at 1:30pm There will be <u>No Provision/after school clubs</u> this day.

Have a restful weekend

Mrs Martin
Headteacher