

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you to our wonderful Parents Association for organising a successful cake sale last week. Thank you to all those who baked and purchased cakes and thank you to those involved in running the cake sale.

We have enjoyed the beginning of the festive season this week with Christmas Jumper Day and learning new Christmas songs. On Thursday we also had the pleasure of listening to the Overdale Junior School Choir in assembly and it was such a treat for staff to see former pupils sing with such confidence.

### Christmas Coffee Morning

Our Senior Leadership team would like to invite all parents to a Christmas coffee morning on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December after the Reading session. Following feedback from our last coffee morning parents and carers can bring travel mugs to fill up if this would be preferable. We hope this will help keep drinks warmer for longer. Tea, Coffee and sweet treats will be provided.



### Reminders

- Please be considerate of local residents when parking your car. I have received a number of complaints from our neighbours' and they have shared details of parents parking dangerously and over driveways.
- Parents should not be entering Eastcourt Road or Northfold Road during school run times without a permit. (8-9am and 2:30-4pm) and you can be fined heavily for this by the council.
- Christmas themed reading session on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Please bring along your favourite Christmas story to share with the children.
- Year 1 party is on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Children may come to school in party clothes. Please send in a named lunchbox/tub of snacks and a plastic bottle or carton of drink (no fizzy drinks please) for your child to enjoy during their party. Please note we are a nut free school. We are unable to refrigerate boxes due to storage space so please send food in that does not need to be chilled. If your child receives benefits related free school meals a small selection of snacks will be available.
- Please remember to send in payment for the PA Christmas disco. Children may not be able to attend if we do not receive payment as we will not know if you consent to your child attending. If you need financial assistance to help your child attend please speak to a member of our Senior Leadership Team.

### Health and Safety

- The pedestrian gate has now been fixed so that it will close automatically and will no longer be propped open. Please make sure the gate closes behind you when entering or exiting the school site. If you spot any issues with the gate, please contact [support@overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk](mailto:support@overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk)

We have a very busy week next week with our Reception Nativity performances, Christmas dinner and our Year 1 party. I can't wait to join in with all the fun!

Take Care,

Mrs Holmes

### Dates for your diary

Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Nativity pm 1:45pm-2:45pm
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Nativity am 9:20am-10:20am Christmas Dinner – Menu has been shared via DoJor
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas themed Reading session and Coffee Morning – join us for a cuppa in the hall after the reading session. Year 1 Party
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Pre-school party
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Party
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Trip to Pantomime
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Year 2 Party
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Church visit – Pre-School children and Reception Classes – 10:00am Year 1 and 2 – 11:00am (Please look out for letter in your child's book bag) School closes for Christmas.
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Training day for staff – School closed to children
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Start of term for children
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	Reading sessions start – 2:50pm

New dates added