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FRIDAY LETTER

Dear parents and carers,

Christmas Reminders

Just to remind you of next weeks' events, it can get quite complicated when there is so much happening. The Reception and Key Stage One Nativity is the same performance on both days, due to the size of our hall could parents only come to one of the dates please.

We ask that babies and toddlers are not brought along to these events as our young performers have small voices that can be lost amongst the disruption.

Mon 16th Dec	Reception/Key Stage One Nativity 2pm
Tue 17th Dec	Reception/Key Stage One Nativity 11am
Tue 17th Dec-	Rec/KS1 Christmas Party afternoon
Wed 18th Dec	Key Stage Two Carol Service at Holy Cross Church 10am
Wed 18th Dec	Whole School Christmas Music Workshop 1.15pm
Thu 19th Dec	KS2 Christmas Party 1.15pm – <i>KS2 children can come to school dressed in their partywear in the morning if they wish.</i>
Fri 20th Dec-	Frosty Friday and Winter Jumper Day

Reception and Key Stage One Party Afternoon – Tuesday 17th December

Christmas Parties are always exciting, especially when you're only four, five or six, so it's easy to forget if you are staying for lunch or going home to get dressed up!

Some parents choose to collect their children before lunch, take them home to get changed, have their lunch at home and return to school at 1pm. Others may prefer their child to bring their party clothes to school with them and to have a school meal. There is also the confusion of the Nativity which you are invited to attend at 11am. If you are coming to watch the Nativity, you may want to take your child home afterwards and bring them back to school ready for their party at 1pm. If you do decide to take your child home, please do not return before 1pm, this will allow staff to get party preparations underway. Please send back the slip that came home earlier this week so staff know what your child is doing next Tuesday.

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Christmas Dinner

Yesterday, Mrs Parker and her fantastic team made a wonderful Christmas dinner for us all to enjoy. The dining hall looked amazing and the food was fantastic, a very tasty dinner with all the trimmings and a huge choice of puddings! Well done to our incredible kitchen staff for looking after us all so well.

Movie Night

Last night was Movie Night at Crookhill and it was a huge success! With a selection of films to choose from, hotdogs, doughnuts and hot chocolate it was an evening of fun and excitement. Thank you so much to everyone who took part, all funds raised are going towards our new playpark which we hope to get underway very soon.

Staff Changes

Next week we will say goodbye to three members of the Crookhill Team. Mrs Debbie Bee has been a cleaner at Crookhill for many years, she was also part of the kitchen team at Thorp Academy and is the cook at Greenside Primary. Debbie will be hanging up her apron and rubber gloves on Friday next week, she will be a huge miss and I'm sure you'll all join us in wishing her a long and happy retirement.

Miss Gray, our apprentice teaching assistant is also leaving us on Friday. Miss Gray enjoyed the Year 6 residential trip so much that she has accepted a new role as a Group Leader at the activity centre. Our very best wishes go with Miss Gray for an exciting new adventure, we will all miss her so much and we look forward to meeting up with her at the next Year 6 trip!

Our lunchtime supervisory assistant Mrs Humble has decided to go back to teaching and will also be leaving us next week. Mrs Humble has been a wonderful calming influence at lunchtime and a great favourite of the children as well as staff, we wish her well for the future.

In January we will welcome Miss Davison and Mrs Frost to our lunchtime team, we're sure they'll fit right in and quickly become part of the Crookhill family.

We will see you all on Monday for the very busy last week of term.

Yours sincerely,

Miss K McCormack
Head Teacher

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