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Week 14 Newsletter

Monday 6th December 2021

Dear families,

Welcome to our latest newsletter! Santa and Mrs Claus are almost ready to leave isolation and set off to Penistone spreading festive joy! The next two weeks, the final fortnight of another action-packed, wonderful term of playing, learning and achieving together, see some of the most exciting parts of the year for our pupils. Let's get everyone updated!

(Reminder) Christmas Raffle: Could we please start by thanking everyone for their prize donations...the raffle continues to grow and grow thanks to our incredibly kind and generous community. We have received so many wonderful raffle prizes already...thank you! We will send out the prize list so far soon but feel free to keep any donations coming to ensure that we have lots of exciting prizes for all ages and interests. We have attached to the email with this newsletter the traditional class hamper donations. Each class has a theme so that all donations can be made into a fantastic team creation! We also attach the ticket template on email should you wish to print and buy any extras- we have extra copies printed for collection as required in the school foyer. Any ticket purchased will go back in to school fund and support future events in school. Please help us to raise as much for school fund as you can by selling to family and friends if you can!

School News: We continue to get excellent feedback from visitors on the behaviour and manners of our pupils. The Y6 leaders have had glowing reports from visiting prospective parents- they have done such a professional job! In staffing news we say goodbye to Mrs Davis, one of our excellent SMSA team, and welcome back Mrs Hunton as a relief SMSA. A big thank you to Mrs Davis for her hard work and support! Mrs Wildsmith will return after the Christmas break and she will work alongside Mrs Henstock to teach Y5. Mrs Fearn will still be in school but she will be taking on a more specific and hands-on role supporting Literacy skills in school alongside her role as Deputy Head and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Co-ordinator. The children have really enjoyed making their special Christmas video this week and we can't wait to share the final version with you next Friday. Please plan a film night in just like last year- PJs, popcorn and festive refreshments for all of the family to enjoy! We will launch on email by 7pm on Friday on a private Youtube link!

Christmas Post: As stated last week we would encourage children to keep their cards to just their own class this year as classes aren't mixing or sharing resources. As we have the special post box in school going to waste we thought we would take it on tour! The post box will be in each class on the following days if you would like to prepare cards accordingly. Cards can be distributed in class generally on any day to suit, of course.

Thursday 9th AM: Nursery, **Thursday 9th PM:** Reception, **Friday 10th AM:** Year 1, **Friday 10th PM:** Year 2
Monday 13th AM: Year 3, **Monday 13th PM:** Year 4, **Tuesday 14th AM:** Year 5, **Tuesday 14th PM:** Year 6

News nuggets:

- Since last week the school has had just one new pupil case (Y6) today on a lateral flow test and one staff member (Y5) has also tested positive this weekend. Please continue to test your child regularly and report any positive results ASAP. Please also be vigilant to potential symptoms as we approach a busy time in school and socially for our children (parties, events out of school, etc).
- We currently have a vacancy within our staff team for a new SMSA- we have a permanent and an ad-hoc contract available. Please contact us for more details and information about how to apply if this role is suitable for you.
- Please ensure that you update your contact details with the school if you ever move house, change telephone number, etc so that we can contact you should we need to.
- All of our school policies, which are approved by the full Governing Body, are online and completely up to date should you require any of them. They are available at: www.springvaleprimary.org/policies/ for your convenience.

Have a great week everyone!

Regards, Mr L McClure, Headteacher

School Statistics- Week 13

Attendance: 95.6% Classes of the Week: Y2 with 100% Late marks: 1 GOOD to be GREEN: 99.3%

Mini Diary- Week 14

(Well-being theme: Kindness/Music of the week: Christmas Carols)

Dinner menu: Week 3

Thursday 9th December: Final prospective tour (new parents) KS2 at the cinema AM, Y1 and Y2 gaming day

Friday 10th December: Christmas Video launched at 7pm on emails, new F2 stay and play 1.30-2.30pm, F2-Y2 scooter skills (see separate letter)

