

It seems safe to say that the seasons have certainly changed!

Gone are the sun hats and summer dresses, time to welcome woolly hats and coats!!! We are about to begin the most chaotic term in the school year, before we know it the jolly man himself will be delivering presents!!!

Christmas is my favourite time of year and I admit it, I was the first person in school to start discussing it with the children – sorry!!! Here's to another half term full of fun and learning!

P Strachan

Holidays during term time will not be authorised, we seem to be sending more and more fines out this academic year than in previous years. Teachers will not be setting work for children to complete if they are not in school. If children are visiting family members then this needs to be done during school holiday time. Our stance on this could not be clearer – children need to be in school every single day!



To raise money for Children in Need, all children can wear as many spots as they like! Juice and biscuits will be provided £1 donation per child please.

Punctuality

Please remember that school is open from 8.45am. The school bell rings at 8.55am. Children arriving after this time will need to enter through main reception and will receive a late mark.

Thank you for your support with our coffee morning – over £300 was sent to Macmillan and the Darlington Food Bank were overwhelmed with the donations from this week's Harvest Festival.



Notes for the Diary:

Nov 16th – 9.30am Class 8 Mass with classes 9&10.

Nov 17th – 'Spotacular Day' – Children in need fundraising event – children to wear lots of spots!!!

Nov 24th – Non uniform day – £1 donation please in aid of YMT (Youth Ministry Team)

Nov 25th 12pm – St Teresa's Church Christmas Fayre in the school hall

*Dec 12th – 9.30am – Foundation Christmas performance
2pm – Classes 1, 2, 3, Christmas performance*

*Dec 13th – 9.30am – Classes 1,2&3 Christmas performance
2pm – Classes 5, 6&7 Christmas performance*

*Dec 14th – 9.30am – Classes 5, 6&7 Christmas performance
2pm – Foundation Christmas performance*

Dec 19th – Key Stage 1 theatre visit.

Dec 20th – Christmas lunch day

Dec 21st – 9.15 am – End of term Mass, beginning with Carols led by classes 8,9,10 followed by Mince Pies and Shortbread in the school hall – all very welcome.

3.15pm – School closes for the holidays.

January 8th – 8.45am – School reopens

Safeguarding

Keeping our children safe is of paramount importance. If any of you have any concerns about a child please speak to our designated safeguarding officers – Mrs Strachan or Mrs Lindsay.



St Teresa's – doing the little things well...