

*Belton Lane School*  
*Newsletter*  
*4<sup>th</sup> December 2020*

Dear Parents and Carers

The end of the term is approaching very quickly indeed - don't forget we break up on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December! Due to the COVID restrictions, there are lots of things that we cannot do this year but we are going to make it as happy a time as we can.

We hope that everyone enjoys this fantastic time of year.

J Mason  
Head teacher



### **Food Bank donations**

This year, as we cannot have our normal Christmas hamper raffle, we thought we would show kindness to those less fortunate and ask all the children to bring one item to donate to the Grantham Food Bank. Items which can be donated include: Tinned food, dried foods e.g. pasta and rice, bottles of squash, cereals and basic toiletries. If you would like to help this worthy cause, please send the items to school by **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**.

### **Christmas Cards**

Just like last year, the school will not be distributing cards and we encourage your children to send one card to the class for the class teacher to display in the classroom. If your child would like to send more than one card, they can but only for children in their own class or year group. Please ensure you follow this procedure to keep everyone safe. Your child will need to bring their cards into school on a Monday or Tuesday and give them to their class teacher. We will then quarantine them for 48 hours and give them to children to hand out on the Friday. We will only accept cards on the Monday of the last week of term and the children will hand them out on the Thursday. Please **DO NOT** bring cards into school on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday.

### **Christmas lunch**

The Christmas lunch this year will be on **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December**. If you wish to order one, the forms are on ParentHub now! **If your children are in EYFS or Key Stage 1 and entitled to Universal Free School Meals, you must still order a Christmas Lunch!** If you do not pre-order, we will expect your child to bring a packed lunch on the day. The cost for the remainder of the school is £3.00 per meal. Please send payment to school with your child, in an envelope clearly marked - CHRISTMAS LUNCH with your child's name and class. All meals for the next two weeks must be ordered before 4pm on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Please remember to put your child's name as we have had incidences where names have been omitted and we cannot allocate these lunches to the right children.





### **Christmas Jumper Day Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

Once again this year, we are supporting the Save the Children Charity and inviting all children to come to school in a festive jumper for a donation of £1. We do hope that you will support this event. If your child has PE on this day, they DO NOT need to wear PE kit.



### **EYFS and Year 1 Nativity Day Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

The classes are having a Nativity day on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December. We would like all the children come dressed as a person or animal named in the Nativity. We will be having a great day for the build up to Christmas.

EYFS will be singing some Christmas songs on Zoom to parents on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec at 1.30pm. We will send zoom details out on Tapestry at a later date

### **Key stage 2 News**



Due to the restrictions in place, Parents, Carers, family and friends are unable to come into school to celebrate Christmas with us however, that isn't going to stop us! We don't want to give too much away (and don't ask the children...they are sworn to secrecy) but what we will say is.....all the

children will be involved and we hope to spread some much needed Christmas cheer at the end of a very dreary 2020. Keep your eyes on Seesaw/Parent hub towards the end of term.

Key Stage 2 children will also be having a Christmas film day on the last day of term. The children will take a class vote on which film they wish to watch and the relevant permissions will be sort by class teachers.

### **Christmas parties and Disco Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**



We will be having Christmas parties on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December and everyone will have the chance to go into our now 'famous disco'. The children will be kept in their bubbles so that we are still adhering to the COVID guidance. It will be a great day for the children, at the end of what has been a miserable year, and I am sure that they will enjoy themselves. The parties will take place during the afternoon, so please be patient if they are a little late coming out of school. Further details will be sent nearer the time regarding clothes for the day.