



Hunslet Moor Primary School  
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Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to share some important messages as we approach the Christmas holiday.

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December is our Christmas dinner day and Christmas jumper or non-uniform day.** All children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper or come to school in their favourite jumper or clothing on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. We are collecting money for a Local Charity called 'Zarach' which is committed to helping children and families who are living in poverty crisis. A suggested donation of £1 to be given to the class teacher please.

**Class celebrations and parties.** Each class will be celebrating their success with behaviour and attendance throughout the course of next week. A letter will be coming home from each class to share more details.

**The KS1 Winter Performance will take place on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 9.20am and again at 2.15pm** in our large hall. Due to covid restrictions we have allowed 1 ticket per family so please make sure you have requested this from your child's class teacher.

**End of term & start of new term.** The last day of school is **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December**. School will then be closed until **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021**. We will look forward to welcoming all children back for our Spring term on the 4<sup>th</sup> January.

NHS test and trace will continue to be responsible for contacting families (where needed) over the Christmas Holiday if there is a need to notify of close contact with a positive case for COVID. Please can we remind you before your return after the holidays that if your child or anyone in your household is showing any of symptoms of COVID they should not be returning to school until a PCR test has been taken and a negative result received:

- a **high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a **new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a **loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

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**Parent consultations.** Thank you to all of you that have taken up the opportunity to have a virtual or telephone call with your child's teacher this half term to discuss their learning and progress. We know that teachers have appreciated having the time to talk to you.

**We are delighted to say welcome some new staff joining the school;** to Mrs Linley who joined the office team in November and to Mrs Graham, our new attendance officer who also joined us in November. We are pleased to welcome a number of new teachers into school in January; Mrs Esteves, Mrs Browne and Mrs Ahmer.

We have sent Mrs Mackenzie and Mrs Murphy our best wishes as have now both started their maternity leave. Mrs Mackenzie has decided not to return after her baby is born so we wish her all the best and thank her for her contribution to the school. We are also pleased to share that Miss Bolger, who is currently on maternity leave, had a baby boy in October and Miss Bolger and baby are both doing really well. We would also like to congratulate Mrs May who has a new job with the Safeguarding and Well-being Team and Miss Buckley who has a new role in school as an inclusion support worker.

**Support while school is closed for Christmas holiday.** If you or anyone in your family needs support over the period while school is closed, please see the links below that can provide help and guidance:

**Help with Food and Bills**

<https://www.leeds.gov.uk/benefits/help-with-food-and-bills>

**Taking care of mental health:**

<https://www.mindwell-leeds.org.uk/myself/coronavirus-mental-health-information-hub>

**Emergency Food support:**

<https://www.leeds.gov.uk/leedsmic/emergency-food>

**Domestic Violence support:**

<https://ldvs.uk/>

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents, carers and families for your continued support and encouragement this term.

Finally, we would like to wish all of you celebrating Christmas a very 'Happy Christmas' and to wish all our families a peaceful and happy time over the Christmas holiday.

With kind regards,

Simon Crawford & Hannah Darley  
 Co-Headteachers



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