Dear Parent/Guardian,

What an amazingly busy week we have had in school! Thank you so much to all the parents and friends who came to see the Lower School Carol Concert and the Nativity performed by Reception. The children love the opportunity to perform to others and they get so excited when the hall is full of parents. The children sang beautifully and took to the stage as if they were born to it!

# Key Stage Two Carol Concert

This is on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2.15pm and is for children in Years Three to Six. We have some new songs this year, written by Mr Lawson and it is always lovely to hear the choir sing songs together which they have been working on for weeks. Who will get the solo parts and duets this year...come along and find out!

### **Social Media**

As a school, we have always taken the view that we trust parents to take pictures of their children in peformances and expect them to abide by our guidance, which we give at every performance about only taking pictures of your own children.

Recently it has been brought to our attention that some pictures are being posted on social media that include a wide range of children, who we know are from a range of families and year groups. I am not suggesting that this has, in any way, been done to upset anyone, or in a malicious way, just that it has been happening.

The reason we have this guidance is because we have some children who are not allowed in photos. Sometimes this is a personal choice and sometimes this can be because it puts a child's safety at risk.

I do not want to have to change this guidance, but the system requires everyone working together to make it work for all of our families. Thank you.

### Book, Books, Books!

Please can you have a look for any school books that may be at home. We have recently purchased a lot of school books and the cost of replacing books is enormous. We don't mind that you have them; we would just like them back please. Pop them in your child's book bag or hand them in at Reception, thank you.

#### Santa Run

Thank you to all the parents who came and ran with their children...over 30 parents! The children seem to have run the lap in record time this year. That running track is really increasing their fitnesss levels. A huge thank you to Miss Stanbury for organising the run.

### **Reminder: Applications to start school in September 2020**

The admissions process for starting school in September 2020 opened on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and closes on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

For further information, see the School Admissions webpages at: www.devon.gov.uk/admissions

## Dates for the Diary

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December Weds 18<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> December Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Wednesday 8th January 2020

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March Christmas Jumper Day & Santa Run Christmas Fair – 2-4pm Nursery Nativity time 2.30pm Reception Vision Screening KS2 Carol Concert time 2.15pm Last day of term

First day of Spring Term

Reception Height & Weight programme Year 6 Height & Weight programme