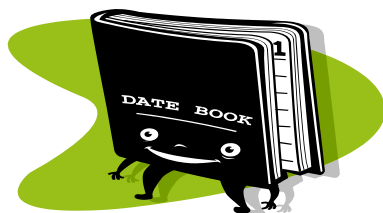


DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 14th December:	Basketballer Paul Sturgess visit
Tuesday 15 th December:	KS1 Christmas Performance 1:30pm and 4pm
Wednesday 16th December:	Christmas Dinner
Thursday 17th December:	Carol Concert 2pm @ Church
Friday 18th December:	Christmas Jumper Day / End of Term
Monday 5th January:	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 6th January:	Term Starts
Friday 29th January:	Class Photographs



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Christmas is always a very magical time at school and the children are really making the most of it.

Christmas Disco

An **ENORMOUS** thank you to all the members of the PTA who organised this year's Christmas Disco. They have put an enormous amount of work into the organisation of this during their own free time and we cannot thank them enough for everything they do for the school!

Christmas Celebrations

Thank you to our Reception children who performed beautifully in their first Christmas play at school. They have come such along way already this term.

We are looking forward to Years One and Two's Christmas Play next week.

Well done also to our fantastic choir who participated in the concert at Lodge Park on Monday. They were an absolute credit to the school. They have also been to visit several of the care homes in Corby to sing carols to the residents. Thank you to Mrs Grant for taking the choir.

A reminder that it is our **Christmas Fayre on Friday 11th December** – all are welcome!

Christmas Dinner for the children is next **Wednesday 16th December**.

We have our annual **Carol Concert** on **Thursday 17th** at **2pm in the church**.

Finally, on **Christmas Eve at 4pm** there is the **Children's Nativity** which all the children are invited to attend. It is a beautiful celebration of Christmas.

Donations

Here is what our school has raised this term:

Children in Need: £266.81

Food Bank: 109KG



Encouraging a love of reading

As a school, we try our best to foster the children's enjoyment of books and of reading. Last term each class hid a 'golden ticket' in a book in the classroom and the lucky child who found it, got to sit in the staff room for an afternoon with a hot chocolate and was given time to read their book!

Please read to and with your child at home when you get the chance. It really does make a difference to them and helps in all sorts of ways with their learning in school.

Parents' Evening

Thank you to all of you who attended Parents' Evenings and who filled in our survey. The response about the school was overwhelmingly positive. Can I also encourage you to fill in a parent's survey on 'Parent View' which is looked at by Ofsted.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Your support and kind comments are really appreciated by us all.

Late Arrivals

If you have arrived late to school please do not go to the classroom. It is vital you come to the office and sign in on our system. This will edit your child's mark and also allow us to know they are onsite if we have any emergency situation such as a fire. This will ensure the safety of your child at all times and enable us to carry out our procedures efficiently.

Special Guest Visit Monday 14th December!

We are very pleased to announce that on **Monday 14th December** the **world's tallest** basketball player **Paul Sturgess** will be visiting Our Lady's! Paul Sturgess played basketball for the Harlem Globetrotters and in the NBA before returning to Britain this year to play in the BBL. When Paul is not playing basketball he visits schools running inspirational WOW days!



Paul Sturgess will hold a whole school assembly followed by a short class photograph session for Key Stage 1 children.

Throughout the day each of the Key Stage 2 classes will have the fantastic opportunity of a 30 minute basketball session run by Paul.

To help us get into the spirit of the day we would like as many children as possible to come to school dressed as a basketball player or in their favourite sporting outfit!

Safeguarding

If your child has any kind of medical condition it is very important that you inform the office of this so that we can keep this information on our records. This includes children who have asthma and take inhalers. Please can adults be made aware no hot drinks are allowed onto the playground.



Playground

The Site Management would like to let you reassure you that when it is icy, the walkway from the gate and pathways through the playground are gritted early in the mornings. The gritted areas will be marked off across the playground so that they are clear for you to see. Please ensure that for you safety and that of the children, that you stay within these areas thank you.

Football Results

We would like to announce that our school football team has qualified for the final in January. A huge congratulations and we wish them good luck for January!



Tennis

Tennis coaches have been in working with year 1 and have done an excellent job, the kids have thoroughly enjoyed their lessons. Our year 2 classes are excited to be working with them after Christmas!

After School Clubs

Clubs run from 3-4pm unless stated.

Monday—Kinitting Club (KS2)

Tuesday—Multiskills (KS1), Choir (KS2)

Wednesday—Homework Club (KS2) Mini Basketball (KS2)

Thursday— Drama 3-4pm (KS2), Recorder (KS2) 3-3:45pm

Friday— Dance Breakfast Club (now in the Junior Building Hall)

During School: **Monday**— Guitar

Wednesday—Violin

Breakfast Club—every morning 8:15-8:40am

(held in the Infant Building Hall)

Toast: 15p

Cereal: 20p

Tea: 20p

Fruit: free

