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"The child Jesus grew and became strong; he was full of wisdom gaining favour with God and with people." Luke 2:54

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Dear Parents/Carers

Countdown to Christmas

This year our Panto experience will be in the afternoon of **Monday 9th December**, the children will be going to Middleton School to enjoy a performance of Jack and The Beanstalk by a professional production company. This will start at 1.30pm and finishes approximately 3.00pm. The children will travel to Middleton via coach and return for the end of the school day. The Beswick tickets and travel have been paid for by FoBS. Thank you FoBS! Thank you also to MOWSA (Parent fund raising for Middleton School) for inviting our children. Please complete the consent on ParentPay before **Friday 6th December**.

This year our Christmas Nativity will be on two afternoons – **12th & 16th December**, the Foundation Stage, KS1 and KS2 children will be performing their Christmas Play at Beswick School in the KS2 classroom. The performances will start at **2pm** each afternoon. We are busy rehearsing and look forward to the performance! In order, for us to prepare the classroom for each performance and know how many people will be attending, we will ask you to indicate which performance you would like to attend and how many people will be attending. Each family will be allocated two tickets for their chosen performance and can then request additional tickets which we will allocate if numbers allow. Please look out for the form next week.

The children will be having a wonderful **Christmas dinner** on **Friday 13th December** with all the trimmings, including Christmas Crackers, thanks to our wonderful team in the kitchen at Middleton, Mrs Rose and Mrs Hussein. On this day we are also having a '**Christmas Jumper Day**' to raise money for Save the Children. We are asking for donations of £1.00 (but any donation will be welcomed).

On **17th December** you are invited to join the children at the **Christmas Crafts** afternoon starting at 1.30pm and finishing around 3.15pm. It will be a time for you to enjoy making some wonderful Christmas Decorations with the children.

Our Carol Service will take place in the evening of **Tuesday 17th December** at Watton Church starting at 6pm, all welcome. The children will be participating in a service, singing carols and making the traditional Christingle.



It will be our Surprise Fair on the morning of **Thursday 19th December**, this is organised by staff to give the children the opportunity to buy Christmas presents for you, grandparents, brothers, sisters etc. The children wrap them up here at school and label them so that they have surprise gifts to give to you all. Due to the current cost of living, the price of the items on offer has had to increase this year, to a maximum of £4 per item (wrapping paper and gift tags are free). Families with more than one child in the school will be giving the opportunity to shop together, so that they can purchase one gift between them, rather than two different gifts for the same person. Please allow your child to bring whatever amount of money you feel appropriate for this, and it would help if the money is in a purse or container with your child's name on it. Please can each child bring into school a named carrier bag to carry their presents home in.
Thank you.

Christmas cards can be brought into school for distribution to the children from Monday 9th December.

We have a box of Christmas badges in school which have been left here by Dove House Hospice. These can be purchased for a suggested donation of £1.50.

All Christmas parties this year will be on the afternoon of **Friday 20th December**. Children may bring a change of clothes with them (if they wish) and they will be given time to change at 1:00pm before the start of the party.

Yours faithfully,

E Harros

Mrs E Harros
Executive Headteacher