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Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas Performances

Well done to all of the children for their amazing singing, dancing and acting and a huge thank you to the P.F.T.A. for providing the refreshments.

The children in Class One performed 'Jesus at Bethlehem Stable', photographs will be added to the Class One blog.

The Year Two and Three children performed 'The Mystic Nativity' based on Sandro Botticelli's painting.



Children from Years Four to Six performed Roald Dahl's 'Cinderella'.





The Spring Term will commence on Tuesday 3rd January 2017 and the topics are as follows:

Class One - Superheroes

Class Two - Under the Sea

Class Three - The Vikings

Class Four - The Tudors

Class Two, Thursday 5th January, Trip to the National Marine Aquarium, Plymouth

On Thursday 5th January, Class Two are going on an educational visit the National Marine Aquarium in Plymouth. Please ensure that your child is at the Village Hall for 7.10 am. The children will return to the Village Hall at approximately 5.00 pm. Your child will need a waterproof coat and a packed lunch with a non-fizzy drink and plenty of snacks.

Class One, Monday 9th January, Superhero Day at Skern Lodge

Class One will be attending a Superhero day at Skern Lodge on Monday 9th January. Children will need to be dropped off at Skern Lodge at 9.00 am and collected at 3.00 pm. Please ensure that your child wears sensible shoes and warm clothing underneath their superhero costume. Please note that any capes must be removable. Your child will also need a waterproof coat and a packed lunch with a non-fizzy drink.

Forest School

Forest School will commence for Class Two on Wednesday 4th January and for Class One on Thursday 12th January. Please make sure that your child has old, warm clothing including hat and gloves in school which is named. During the winter months Forest School clothing will be sent home each week for washing.

Early Years Foundation Stage	Thursday AM
Year One	Thursday PM
Class Two	Wednesday PM

After School Clubs

Please note that after school clubs will commence on the first week of term. Please see the attached permission slip for a list of the clubs and complete and return it on the first day of term if you would like your child to attend an after school club(s).

Swimming

The whole school will be swimming at the Leisure Centre this term. We are employing Aquarius Swimschool coaches as usual and every child will have a one hour lesson within ability groups. Lessons for Classes Three and Four will start on Tuesday 10th January and lessons for Classes One and Two will start on Friday 13th January.

One piece swimming costumes need to be worn and swimming trunks should not be below the knees. If your child's hair is below their shoulders it will need to be tied back or they will need to wear a swimming hat. If your child normally wears swimming goggles they may wear them to the lessons, although you will need to sign the form below to accept responsibility for any injury involving swimming goggles. Please return the permission slip on the first day of term.

Freedom Centre

A huge thank you for your donations of food for the homeless.

Primary School Admissions for 2017

The admission team have kindly asked to remind all that the primary school admissions closing date is at midnight on 15th January 2017.

The staff and children would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Kind regards,



Kate Grant

Head of Teaching and Learning

After School Clubs Permission Slip

Please complete and return to the office on the first day of term

Name of child / children	When	Activity	For
	Monday 3.30-4.30	Art club with Mrs Wilson	Years 1-2
	Monday 3.30-4.30	Running club with Miss Short and Lauren	Years 2-6
	Monday 3.30-4.30	Film club with Miss Grant	Years 3-6
	Tuesday 3.30-4.30	Board Games club with Stacey	Years 1-6
	Tuesday 3.30-4.30	Handball club with Mr Delahunt	Years 3-6
	Wednesday 3.30-4.30	Construction club with Mr Delahunt	Years 1-6
	Wednesday 3.30-4.30	Art club with Miss Peddle	Years 3-6
	Thursday 3.30-4.30	Colouring In and Puzzles club with Becki	Years 1-6
	Thursday 3.30-4.30	Netball club with Mrs Sampson and Mr Delahunt	Years 3-6

Signed

Swimming - whole school, 10 weeks

I give permission for my child/ren (add name(s)) to take part in this activity as detailed in this newsletter.

I give permission for my child/ren.....to wear their swimming goggles and accept responsibility for any injury involving swimming goggles.

Signed Date.....

Tel contact number.....

Diary Dates

Sunday 18 th December	Carols by Candlelight at 6.30pm in the Parish Church
Sunday 25 th December	Christmas Day Service & Holy Communion at 9.30pm in the Parish Church
Tuesday 3 rd January	Classes 3&4 Visit from Clive Pig, Storyfella
Wednesday 4 th January	Class 2 First Forest School Session
Thursday 5 th January	Class 2 Trip to National Marine Aquarium, Plymouth, 7.15 am depart from Village Hall, return at 5.00pm
Monday 9 th January	Class 1 Superhero Day at Skern Lodge 9.00am drop off at Skern Lodge, 3.00pm pick up
Tuesday 10 th January	Classes 3&4 First Weekly Swimming Session
Thursday 12 th January	Class 1 First Forest School Session
Friday 13 th January	Classes 1&2 First Weekly Swimming Session



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Come and be a trailblazer on the Nativity Trail!

Meet the real donkey! Have fun as you shop!

On **Saturday** morning, **17th December**, between **11.00am** and **1.00pm**, various characters from the First Christmas will be dotted about Barnstaple High Street, Green Lanes etc.

All you have to do to join is **collect** a passport from one of the characters. Then **collect** a sticker and codeword from each of the characters including the donkey! Entry is **FREE**. **Crack** the code and **collect** your prize at the end!

After you've finished the trail, come to Christ Church in Bear Street for free refreshments.

North Devon Football Development Centre

Primary School Children

This year the centre is offering coaching opportunities for children (boys and girls), of **primary school** age (yrs 1-6 inclusive) on Saturday mornings **9am-10am** at **Park School, Barnstaple**. The sessions will be in three ten week blocks, one in each school term, starting on **September 17th 2016**. The cost will be £35 per child per ten weeks payable after the first session. Further bookings from the same family will be at half price (Payment should be **by cheque**, and made out to **D. Langford**).

The next sessions begin on Saturday 7th January 2017 and run for ten weeks (excluding half term 11th and 18th Feb) until Saturday 25th March 2017.

Please ring David Langford (01237479625 mob.07877730986) to book your place as soon as possible.

PLEASE RETAIN THIS HALF OF THE FORM FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

Please complete the following information and bring this with you on your first day.

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____ Mobile _____

Medical Needs _____

Parent/Carer Name _____

Parent/Carer Email _____

School _____