Bakewell Methodist Junior School



Newsletter December 2022

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We wish all our children and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New



Back to School in January

Children will be welcome back in school on Monday 9th January.

Curriculum evening for Parents

We will be holding our Curriculum Evening on Wednesday 18th January at 5.30 for Thornbridge and 6pm for Eyam. Parents will be welcomed into the classroom and we will outline what will be taught in the Spring Term. There will be useful information about how you can support your child and there is a chance for you to look at work in books.

The PTFA have kindly agreed to provide hot chocolate and snacks for the children while they watch a short film in the hall. The doors are open form 5.20pm.

PTFA

Many thanks to the PTFA for their fundraising effort this term. They have raised over £100 for school funds.

The carol singing in town raised over £450. This will go to Zinc Foodbank in Buxton to help families in need over Christmas.

If you know someone who needs help with over Christmas please visit their website. http://www.highpeakfoodbank.co.uk/

Attendance and Punctuality

Unauthorised Holiday Leave

There is information under 'Policies' on the school's website about not taking holidays in term time. Some time away from school is unavoidable but the Government is clear that parents who take unauthorised leave of absence should be issued with a penalty notice.

Arriving at 8.45am

In the morning the whistle is blown 8.45- children are welcome and encouraged from 8.30am. We try hard to have the children sitting at a seat ready to learn by 8.50am. This means we can have 10 minutes quiet reading and do the register before formal lesson begin at 9am. Some children are not arriving at school in time.

If a child misses 10 minutes reading each morning, then over the year they are missing over 32 hours of reading. This is a significant amount of time. Let's see if we can get everyone in school at 8.45 and ready to learn by 8.50am.

PE Uniform

Thank you for sending your children to school in the correct uniform. It creates a purposeful working ethos. PE uniform, that is worn on **Monday and Thursday** should consist of suitable black or dark shorts, joggers, or leggings, a white T shirt and a burgundy Jumper or hoody. Trainers should be mainly black. If this is not possible children may wear their black school shoes and change into trainers for PE. We have some spare bobbles at school to tie up long hair but children might to prefer to bring their own.

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