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SCHOOL CLOSSES TODAY FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY AND RE-OPENS ON MONDAY 8TH JANUARY

'Twas the Week Before Christmas

And, what an amazing week it has been!

On Monday Mr Constantine's Maths group visited Snaith Hall, sharing songs and carols to entertain the residents with festive cheer. The children were fantastic ambassadors for school and showed such kindness and thoughtfulness to others. Never underestimate the power of kindness! You made such a difference children! Thank you.

Church Service

On Tuesday all children from Reception to Year 6 visited St Laurence Church for a special service. Reverend Eleanor delivered a wonderful version of the Christmas story which kept us all entertained and 'on our toes' and Reverend Chris led us in prayer. The children's voices filled the Priory with song. Thank you to Reverend Eleanor and Reverend Chris for leading this very special service for us.

The Snaith School

On Thursday afternoon, Year 1 to Year 6 were warmly welcomed and treated to an amazing 'mini panto' and musical concert at The Snaith School. It was wonderful to watch the students, including some of our own past pupils, performing so confidently and with such professionalism. Both schools hope this will become part of our Christmas tradition going forwards. A huge thank you to the high school for inviting us and entertaining us so well.

I would also like to give a special shout out to our key stage 2 children who worked as escorts for the younger children walking to and from church and the high school. Their maturity and care for the younger children was exemplary. We are so proud of you all.

Shine Leaders

This week we have been celebrating our super Shine Leaders who do so much to support our school in the responsible roles they undertake. We have also now appointed some Senior Shine Leaders to help organise the effective operations of this wonderful team.

PTA news

Christmas Hampers

The raffle for the Christmas hampers was drawn on Monday. This year the PTA were able to make 32 wonderful hampers thanks to your generous donations. The raffle raised an amazing £918.69. Thank you to everyone who donated gifts and bought tickets, a huge thank you to the PTA for organising. Our congratulations to the winners.

Festive Fridays

Thank you to everyone who enjoyed a hot chocolate on our Festive Fridays, this raised £301.50.

Christmas Disco and Father Christmas

It was lovely to see so many children attend the Christmas disco on Wednesday evening. The singing, dancing and general merriment was so nice to watch along with some wonderful party outfits – and sparkly shoes! The disco raised £575.

This will support our next project as we look to develop our school class library learning environments, with soft furnishings, better display stands and up to date books.

This was given a great start, as the children were visited by Father Christmas on Thursday morning, who kindly gave each class a set of books along with a chocolate for all.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the PTA for their tireless efforts to fundraise and to all of you for supporting this so generously. The extra funds really do help to make a difference, enhancing the school for all the children to enjoy.

Payments

Dinner Money

Please ensure any dinner money owed is cleared before the start of the new term.

Before and After School Clubs

BASC – please ensure that payments are up to date to the end of December.

A reminder that there will be an increase in the prices.

BSC £4.60 pre-booked with 48-hour notice or £7.40 with less than 48-hour notice.

ASC £9.20 pre-booked with 48-hour notice or £11.80 with less than 48hour notice.

These will be applied to any sessions booked for January at the start of term.

Nursery

Please ensure payments are up to date by the end of December. A reminder of the increase in price from January - additional sessions £11 and lunchtime £4.70.

Christmas Wishes

I cannot begin to tell you how proud I am of our school community and the wonderful team work that takes place including children, staff, parents, PTA, Governors and all the wonderful volunteers who give their time to make Snaith Shine. Thank you.

Thank you all for your kind Christmas wishes and your continued support. I wish you and your families all a wonderful Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Helen Calpin

Diary Dates

Wednesday 13th March – individual school photos and Class Groups for Reception and Year 6

Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May – Year 6 Sats Week

Summer Term commencing Monday 15th April – Swimming lessons for Year 4 and some Year 5's weekly for 11 weeks.

Wednesday 19th June – Friday 21st June to Year 6 Residential

School Holiday

Please click on the link below to view the school holidays, these can also be found on the school app under Useful Links.

<https://www.snaithprimary.org.uk/page/?title=Term+Dates&pid=91>

Please can I remind parents school is not able to authorise any holidays during term time. Therefore, it is important to consult these dates before making any booking.

We are committed to improving achievement through attendance, and any pupil whose attendance falls below 96% becomes a cause for concern. Attendance below 90% is classed by the Government as persistent absence.

If a child's attendance falls below 90% we refer all cases to the Education Welfare Office at East Riding, who is likely to contact parents directly to discuss the matter.

