



25 November 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Christmas Gifts

Staff at school are always very grateful and appreciate gifts that some parents choose to buy them at Christmas. This year, throughout school, we would like to do something slightly different because of the financial situation a lot of families find themselves in. As a school we will be having a collection for local foodbanks and would really like parental support with this rather than buying any gifts for staff. There is no obligation to contribute to this but if you want to bring in appropriate food items for the foodbank, please can this be brought into school on Friday 9 December. We will then distribute items to foodbanks in the final week before we break up for Christmas. Thank you for your help with this.

Parking around Mundella

Once again, I find myself needing to remind parents and grandparents about inappropriate parking and poor driving around the school. We still have numerous parents parking on double yellow or zig-zag lines on Mundella Place and Derbyshire Lane. This is ILLEGAL and the lines are there to ensure road users have good visibility which is exceptionally important when 400 children are leaving school. We have also had two near misses this week when drivers have performed a three point turn on Derbyshire Lane, outside school near the zebra crossing just as children were leaving school. Children were upset and shaken up by how close two cars came to hitting them. Please, please, please drive carefully and park sensibly. Thank you.

Sporting achievements

There are several sporting events that I want to share and celebrate with you because I think the children involved have performed absolutely brilliantly! Firstly, last week a team of girls braved atrocious weather conditions to take part in a football tournament at Newfield. They came back to school extremely chilly but won most of their matches and should be very proud of themselves. Some Y2 children went to EIS on Monday to perform in an indoor athletics event and won! Congratulations to everyone who took part. Our KS2 Sportshall athletic team followed this up on Tuesday by winning their event at the EIS. I was lucky enough to see this and the children were outstanding and a pleasure to watch. Well done!



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and where everyone feels valued and able to reach their full potential

A massive well done to Sam, Johnny and Elliot who came second in their category at the British Schools Orienteering Championships against schools from all over the county last weekend - a fantastic achievement!



Finally, I want to say congratulations to our cross country team who continue to get better and better every time they perform. Well done to you all!



Children in Need and Poppy Appeal

Thank you everyone who donated to Children in Need and the Poppy Appeal. I'm delighted to inform you that we raised £811 for Children in Need and £617 for the Poppy Appeal. This is a brilliant achievement - thank you all for your generosity!

Mundella Uniform Swap

Following on from the success of our first uniform swap, we are organising another event. If you have any old uniform that is in good condition, please can you bring it into school on Thursday 1 December? Our uniform swap day will be on Thursday 15 December.

Christmas Jumper day and Christmas dinner

We will be having a Christmas jumper day and our Christmas dinner on Friday 9 December. As always with our Christmas jumper day, we do not want any parent to go to unnecessary expense over this and your child could come to school with tinsel in their hair or wearing a Christmas hat.

A menu for the Christmas dinner will be emailed to parents in the very near future.

Yours sincerely,

William Smith