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School Newsletter

01.12.23

A message from Miss Richards

It's arrived… this year's Christmas tree is ready for children at After School Club to decorate later today! This certainly marks the beginning of festive fun in school.

Another arrival today was that of our cheeky elf, Crackerjack. The children were greeted by mischief in the hall at lunchtime and have been tasked by the elf to show him how to behave in the lead up to Christmas. We have no doubt that our children will rise to the challenge and act as wonderful role models until we break up on Friday 22nd December!

Thank you to everyone who has given a donation towards the PTA raffle. Tickets will be sold on the day of the KS1 nativity performances—both in the morning in the playground and in school, before the shows start. Dates for these are listed below.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend

Miss Richards

Class Star Awards

Class 1: *INSPIRE* **Nelly** for her positive attitude to learning and a super first week at Rufforth .

Class 2: *INSPIRE/GROW* **Olivia C-H** for great focus in class and for developing confidence in her abilities.

Class 3: *GROW/INSPIRE* **Jude** for his positive attitude and mature, motivated approach to learning.

Class 4: *INSPIRE* ***Emma*** for a mature attitude to her learning.

Head Teacher's Award

CARE **Erin (Class 3)** for being inspired by her poetry lesson and writing wonderful haiku poems at home.

This week's whole school attendance is 94.52%

Dates for your diary

Changes/additions will be highlighted in yellow each week

Wednesday 6th December—KS2 Minster Service

Tuesday 12th December, 6pm & Wednesday 13th December, 1:30pm - Class 1 and 2 nativity performances

Wednesday 13th December—Riding Lights Pantomime in school

Thursday 14th December - sponsored Reindeer Rush for St Leonard's Hospice

Friday 15th December, 1.45pm - Topic showcase

Tuesday 19th December, 6pm - Class 3 & 4 carol service

Wednesday 20th December Christmas Party Day (led by PTA)

Thursday 21st December—Christmas jumper day & Christmas dinner

Friday 22nd December—break up for Christmas

Rufforth's Rock Stars!

Every Friday, we celebrate children's progress in learning their multiplication and division facts during our celebration assembly.

This week's Rock Stars:

Class 2: Olivia D for a growth in confidence and an improved amount of correct answers.

Class 3: Elodie for excellent progress in speed and accuracy of recall.

Class 4: Rhona for improving the accuracy of her recall.

Happy retirement!

In a whole school assembly yesterday, we said goodbye and good luck to Angela as our school cook and breakfast club assistant. Angela has given many years of loyalty and service to our school and we wish her well in her retirement.

Angela would like to say a huge thank you to parents for her wonderful gifts.

Class Sharing Assemblies

Class 1—Friday 8th December

Assemblies will begin at 2:50pm.

All families are welcome at every Celebration Assembly

Car parking

Unfortunately, we need to remind families again to park considerately in neighbouring streets. This week, we received a complaint from a resident who was unable to access her driveway and reported that she was spoken to very rudely by a parent when she asked them to move. Whilst school is unable to police parking, we feel a duty to remind parents and carers to be respectful of our neighbours; parking over driveways, blocking access routes and speaking disrespectfully is not setting a good example to our children and creates unnenssary tension with neighbours. Thank you for your support on this matter.

Christmas Dinner

It's almost that time of year again!

Please find below our festive menu for Christmas Dinner day which is taking place on **Thursday 21st December**.

The booking is already open on ParentPay for that day, so you are able to go on and book your child's choice. Please note, the menu option that day will show as the normal menu on ParentPay and won't reflect the Christmas dinner choices, but please book your main or vegetarian option anyway.

Please remember to cancel your selection for that day if your child does not want a School Christmas dinner.

We kindly request that you book by next **Friday, 8th December** to enable us to give a rough number to the kitchen for ordering purposes.

Please use the link below as a way to raise funds for the forthcoming Reindeer Rush. Paper copies of the sponsor form have been sent home along with further details of the event:

https://stleonardshospice.org.uk/fundraising/rufforth-primary-schools-reindeer-rush/

Keeping our children safe

If you have any concerns regarding the safety or welfare of a child at school please contact Miss Richards, Mrs Pollock or Mr Woolford-Mullen, our Safeguarding Leads.

Contact us

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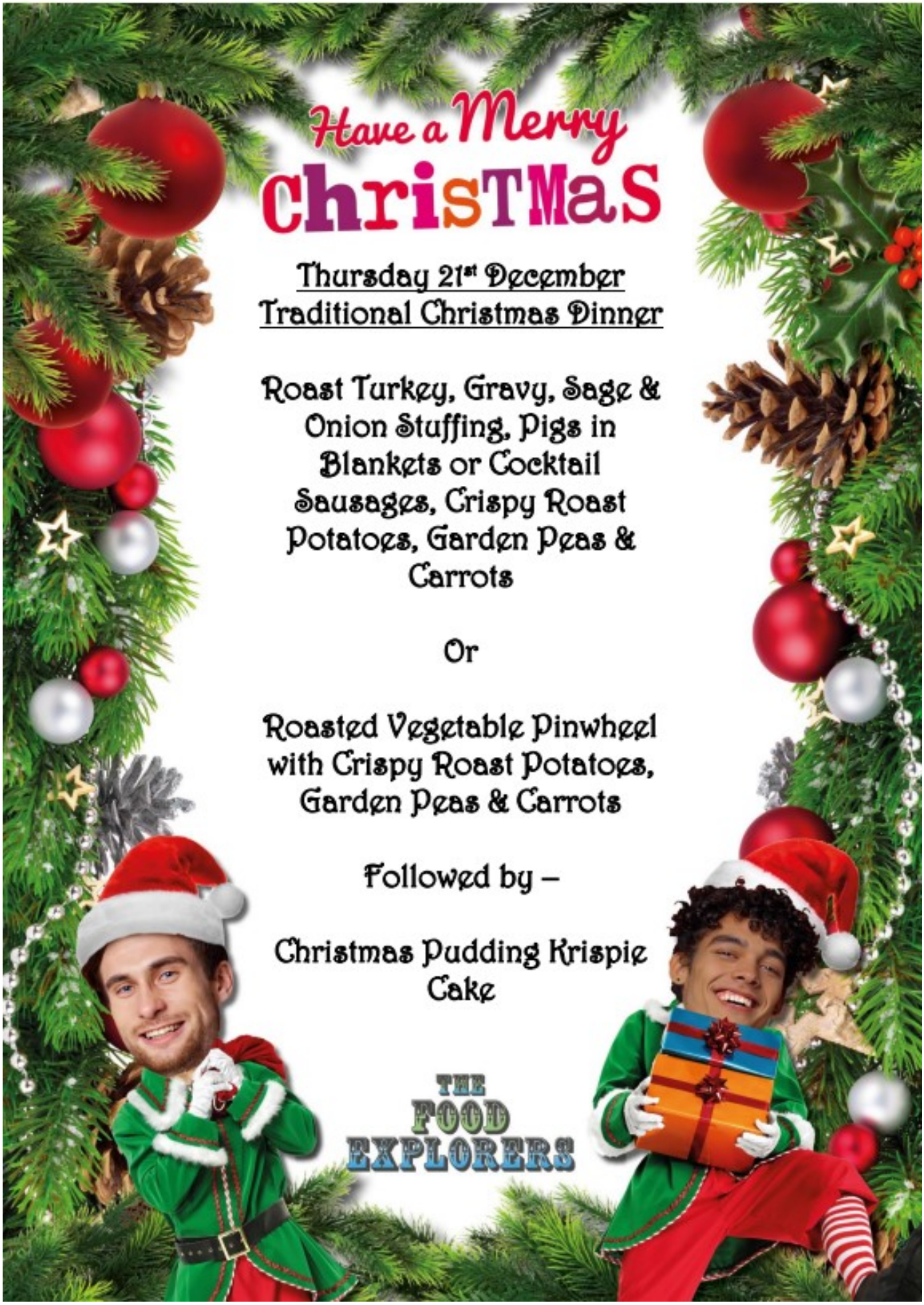
Have a Merry
ChrisTMaS
Thursday 21st December
Traditional Christmas Dinner
Roast Turkey, Gravy, Sage & Onion Stuffing, Pigs in Blankets or Cocktail Sausages, Crispy Roast Potatoes, Garden Peas & Carrots
Or
Roasted Vegetable Pinwheel with Crispy Roast Potatoes, Garden Peas & Carrots
Followed by –
Christmas Pudding Krispie Cake
THE FOOD EXPLORERS

We are performing!

This year, children in Classes 3 and 4 have been invited to join a primary choir, alongside other schools in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, to perform a song at Archbishop Holgate School's Christmas service. This wonderful event will take place at York Minster, giving children the opportunity to sing in a very special setting. All families are welcome to attend the service, details of which are below.

OUR SCHOOLS ARE RECRUITING

Support Staff Vacancies

For details and to apply, visit our website or scan the QR code

Job	Health & Safety Officer
School	Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust
Details	Grade 8-9 – £31,947 – £40,230 (pro rata) Permanent – Full Year Part time – Between 13 and 19.5 hours per week Flexibility for the right candidate
Closes	4/12/23 at midnight

Job	Cleaning Assistant
School	Archbishop Holgate's School
Details	£11.50 per hour 20 hours per week - Term time only Mon - Fri - 3.30 to 7.30
Closes	N/A

Job	Playworker
School	Clifton with Rawcliffe Primary School
Details	Kool Kids – Based at Clifton with Rawcliffe Primary school £7.49 – £10.42 (depending on experience) Permanent, Part time – 7.15am – 9am and 2.45pm – 6pm Email - koolkids@koolkidsoosc.co.uk
Closes	N/A

Job	Teaching Assistant Level 2
School	Tang Hall Primary School
Details	Grade 4, Level 1, £21,120 per annum reduced pro rata Contract Type: Permanent Monday through to Friday 32.5 hours per week (8:30am to 3:30pm)
Closes	11/12/23 at midday

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