

Ingleby Mill Newsletter  
October 2023



What a wonderful last week of half term. I hope that children have enjoyed the opportunity to dress up and dance at our autumn discos as well as the chance to snuggle up in their pyjamas for stories and fun.

**Foodbank Donations**

Thank you to parents for your generosity in donating tins and packets for Thornaby Foodbank. In our assemblies leading up to the end of the half term we have focused on acts of kindness, good citizenship and then celebrating harvest. The huge pile of food waiting to be collected by Thornaby Foodbank is testament to the kindness and good citizenship of all our families.



**Outdoor Learning**

We are thrilled this term (and next) to have David Sylvan in school for one day a week working with children and staff delivering the curriculum outdoors. This term he is working for the whole term with year 3 and year 6 classes. So far activities have been linked to our science, art, geography and history curriculum. Feedback from staff and children has been hugely positive with children looking forward to outdoor learning Thursdays all week. Next term, David will work with classes across years 4 and 5.

**Christmas Plans**

I know that many of parents like to plan in advance and get dates in diaries, so we can now confirm below our Christmas plans and dates. There will be communication expanding on details closer to the date of events:



Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Y2 Christingle at St Francis of Assisi Church 1.45pm
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y1 Nativity 2pm
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y1 Nativity (repeat) 2pm Nursery Christmas singalong 10.45am or 2.15pm  Christmas dinner day Christmas Jumper day
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>After School</b> - Christmas Fair

Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Reception Christmas singalong 2pm
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y4 outdoor Christmas performance 2pm Reception Christmas Party <b>After School</b> – Y5/6 Movie Night 3.15-5.30pm
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y3/4 Christmas Party Nursery Christmas parties- am and pm <b>After School</b> – Y1/2 Movie night 3.15-5.30pm Reception Movie night 3.05-5.15pm
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y3 outdoor Christmas performance 2pm Y1/2 Christmas Party <b>After School</b> – Y3/4 Movie night 3.15-5.30pm
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y5 Performance of A Christmas Carol 9.30am Y3 Snappy Christmas at Thornaby Pavilion Y5/6 Christmas Party
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y6 Christmas Concert 9.30am

All parents and carers should have your child’s class teacher email for communication directly with the teacher. I can also offer email contacts for myself (Beth Atkinson, Head Teacher) and Mrs Kay Coverdale (Deputy Head Teacher, SENDCO)

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I am the designated safeguarding lead (DSL) for the school and can be contacted regarding any safeguarding concerns. There are two deputy designated safeguarding leads who act on my behalf in my absence; Mrs Coverdale and Mrs Dent.

<p>TERM DATES FOR 2023/24</p> <p><u>Autumn term 2023</u></p> <p><b>PD Day: Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Oct 2023</b> (children not in school)</p> <p>Half term runs from: Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov</p> <p>Term ends: Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 2023</p> <p><u>Spring term 2024</u></p> <p><b>PD Day Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2024</b> (children not in school)</p> <p><b>Term starts:</b> Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2024</p> <p><b>Half-term runs from:</b> Mon 19<sup>th</sup> to Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2024</p> <p>Term ends: Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Mar 2024</p> <p><u>Summer term 2024</u></p> <p><b>Term starts:</b> Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024</p> <p><b>Bank holiday (school closed):</b> Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024</p> <p><b>Half-term runs from:</b> Mon 27<sup>th</sup> to Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024</p> <p>Term ends: Fri 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p> <p><b>PD Days: Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> &amp; Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024</b> (children not in school)</p>
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Happy Half term everyone! Remember that Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October is a PD day so children are not in school. I hope everyone has a fun-packed half term including:

- a lie-in on Sunday when the clocks go back
- Halloween on Tuesday
- And Bonfire night on Sunday

I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November.