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Headteacher's news:

The temperature has really plummeted in recent days - barely getting above freezing point - but the bright skies that come as a result of this high pressure have been welcomed. I have been keeping a close eye on the weather during this time and will continue to do so in the days / weeks ahead. It is rare that school will be closed as a result of the weather but if we do, this will be communicated as early as possible through the School Jotter App. We will also communicate in this way if we decide to have a late start to allow staff and children to get to school safely.

The Christmas Fayre was another huge success last Saturday with the Friends Of Rufford Park making over £3000 in profit. Well done to all the FORP, the staff who attended on the day and of course to you for supporting this event. The class winners for the donate a jar competition were Y6 Maple and Y1 Pear and they will be receiving a class reward in the coming weeks. The next piece of work for the Friends is to decide how we are going to use the money to benefit the children - the current plans relate to increasing outdoor playtime opportunities by adding some all-weather ground cover to the KS2 trim trail as well as developing the bottom MUGA.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.



"On Tuesday our U11 Girls Football Team attended a tournament at Goals in Kirkstall. It was a crisp cold day and the outdoor pitches were certainly frosty when we arrived! This didn't deter us from some games in which our girls won 6 of 7 matches that they played. Most importantly though, they had a fantastic time playing as a team and each and every player left the pitch with a big smile on their face." Mr Spence

Pinnacle Christmas Card Competition: This competition was promoted in a news item on 21 November but there is still time to take part. [Click here](#) to read the original details and note that the overall winner from the 10 PFI primary schools in Leeds will win an Amazon Fire 10 Kids Pro, Echo Dot Kids and Wireless Buddy Phones and the winners for each school (there will be a KS1 and KS2 winner in each school) will receive an Amazon Fire 7 tablet. Please also note that it is not mandatory to write a letter and draw a picture and that producing just one of these will suffice. Good luck!



Click below to see what has been happening in your child's class this week:

[Nursery](#) [Reception](#) [Y1 Pear](#) [Y1/2 Lime](#) [Y2 Cherry](#)
[Y3 Willow](#) [Y3/4 Cedar](#) [Y4 Beech](#)
[Y5 Oak](#) [Y5/6 Ash](#) [Y6 Maple](#)

In **assembly** this week, I spoke about the work of the Children's Commissioner for England. We talked about the importance of having a voice and being able to influence. Children in Y1-Y6 are completing the survey detailed below in school time and parents/carers of our EYFS children are encouraged to complete this survey at home.



The Children's Commissioner for England has recently launched 'The Big Ambition' to hear directly from children, young people and parents across the country.

We want to hear from all children, in every part of the country and in every setting.

This is your chance to tell key policymakers what is important to you ahead of the general election. Take part now and ensure your needs are reflected in the decisions that will affect you in years to come.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 4 Dec: Tree of Lights at Yeadon Town Hall 19:00-20:00

Fri 8 Dec: Due to popular demand ...

Reception 2024 Open Day 4 09:30-10:30

Christmas performances* & parties:

Tues 12 Dec: 09:30 Reception and Nursery

Wed 13 Dec: 09:30 LKS2 Christmas

Assembly & 14:00 KS1 (performance 1)

Thurs 14 Dec: 09:30 KS1 (performance 2)

Tues 19 Dec: 09:30 UKS2 Christmas

Assembly & Infant Christmas parties pm

Wed 20 Dec: UKS2 Christmas parties pm

Thurs 21 Dec: LKS2 Christmas parties pm

Fri 22 Dec: Last day of term. Christmas dinner & Christmas jumper day.

*Tickets (FOC) will go live at lunchtime on Monday 4 December