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Certificate and Award Winners

Congratulations to the children who were presented with certificates and KiM Awards at our Celebration Assembly last week. They were:-

	Certificates				KiM
Class 1	Jacob	Harry H.			Barnes
Class 2	James	Alfie	Lisa	Finlay	Sophie





Vacancies on the Governing Body

Following on from the item in the last Newsletter, I am very pleased to let you know that, by the close of nominations on Monday this week, I had received 2 nominations for the elected Parent Governor position. These were from Rachael Caton and Sophie Eddleston. I would like to thank both Rachael and Sophie for offering to serve the school in this way, in addition to all the other work they undertake in supporting the children's learning. The formal "paperwork" is now underway, and I hope that I will be in a position to let you know further information immediately after the holiday.

The next Governing Body meeting is at 7:30pm on Wednesday 18th January 2017.

"Thank-you"

It has been an exceptionally busy end of term as I'm sure you are aware, so this is an ideal time say "Thank you" to all parents who have organised, been involved in or supported the many different events and activities which have taken place, and of course, "Thank-you" to the children for taking part so well in so many of them. Here is a brief resume of what we have been doing:-

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| Fri. 2 nd Dec. | Film night for the children – thank-you to all the PTA team who organised this event. | |
| Tues. 6 th Dec. | Musical Concert – thank-you for being such a great audience (and for listening to your children practise at home!!) |  |
| Thur. 8 th Dec. | Class 2 visit to Leeds Museum. Thank you to Mrs. Petrucci for helping us. | |
| Thur. 8 th & Mon. 12 th | Parent-Teacher Pupil Progress meetings – thank you to all parents who came into school to meet with their child(ren)'s teacher(s) and other staff. It was very good to be able to talk to you and discuss each child's progress. | |
| Fri. 9 th Dec. | Bobble Hat Day - fantastically colourful and imaginative.
2:45pm - Celebration Assembly | |
| Sun. 11 th Dec. | Christingle Service at St. Michael the Archangel Church - the church was packed and all the children were superb in presenting the musical nativity "This Old Inn", as were Finlay and Phoebe in their clarinet accompaniment to "Away in a manger". |  |
| Mon. 12 th Dec. | Open Morning – the many visitors enjoyed their visit to the school. Thank-you to all who baked and served refreshments on the day, and most importantly, encouraged others to come.
Wraparound Christmas Party. | |
| Tues. 13 th Dec. | Christmas Dinner in school | |



Rolls-Royce
Science Prize
Special Merit Award Winner 2011



Wed. 14th Dec.

Dance Showcase – again, what a great audience!! I am sure you all enjoyed seeing your children perform some very complex dances so well.



Fri. 16th Dec.

Whole school visit to “Dick Whittington” panto in Harrogate. Thank you to Mrs. Caton and Mrs. Goulding for helping us

Christmas Jumper Day – all the children looked superb.

Christmas Assembly of Music and Words. Thank you for joining us this afternoon.

Reminders

- a) **Naming clothing** - During the Christmas and New Year holiday, please could parents ensure that all children’s clothing is named appropriately for the current wearer. We have had many cases where “hand-on” garments still have the previous owner’s name in them- very confusing when we are trying to sort out clothing at the end of PE lessons. Thank you.
- b) **Reading bags** - All children should have a red “official” school reading bag which they should use each day to carry reading books, homework, letters, etc. to and from school. There has been a tendency over the last few weeks for some children to be using bulky rucksacs for this, and these take up far too much space in the cloakroom. From the start of next term, please can all children use the school reading bag each day. Thank you.
- c) **Outdoor PE clothing** - We try to do PE outside as much as possible, even on cold and damp days. To cope with these weather conditions, all children need to wear warm leggings, joggers, etc. and a warm sweatshirt or similar.

Forthcoming Events Summary for the start of next term

Tues. 3 rd Jan.	Staff training day
Wed. 4 th Jan.	9am – School re-opens for children at the start of the Spring Term.
Fri. 6 th Jan.	2:45pm- Celebration Assembly
Mon. 9 th Jan.	All instrumental lessons (individual, group and whole class) begin this week.
Fri. 13 th Jan.	Next Newsletter
Mon. 16 th Jan.	2:30pm – Meeting for parents of children in Yrs 4, 5 and 6 re. Bewerley Park.
Wed. 18 th Jan.	7:30m – Governing Body meeting

On behalf of all the staff, may I thank you for the cards, gifts and messages you have sent, and wish you all a very Merry Christmas and peaceful and happy New Year. I look forward to seeing you all in January.

Chris Norris, Acting Headteacher

