



Dear parents and carers,

As we reach the end of what has proved to be a very busy half term, we would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy new year, we hope you enjoy the festivities and find some time to recharge.

Following events that have been highlighted in the news recently, we feel it is necessary to share the following information from the Royal Life Saving Society with parents, and ask that you talk with your family about water safety:

*In winter, children and pets are particularly at risk when tempted to play on the ice formed on open water, and adults can find themselves at risk in attempting to save them. Taking a nice walk in cold weather with your family, friends or dogs in tow can be really refreshing, just make sure you know some simple tips on how to stay safe in winter. Areas with frozen lakes, ponds, canals and reservoirs can be beautiful places to visit during the winter months but all too often many people risk their lives by venturing onto frozen water. The Royal Life Saving Society have useful tips from the to help you know what to do in an emergency can be found by scarring the QR code opposite.*

We look forward to seeing you all back in school, safe and sound, on Tuesday 3rd January 2023.

Kind regards,

Mr J. E. Bates



### Children in Need

We raised a fantastic £429.09 which will go straight to Children in Need. Our Pudsey themed biscuits were a massive hit. A huge thank you to everyone who made a donation.



### Christmas Fayre

A huge thank you to everyone who made a donation to our Christmas Fayre. The after school event raised a fantastic £1338.74. We will be using this money to treat the children to a Pantomime in school, in the new year.



### Christmas Greetings



The staff and pupils at Bleakhouse Primary School would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

### Reminders

**Late arrivals** - please come to the main office to sign your child in, no child is allowed to sign themselves in if they are late.

**Mobile phones** - If your child needs to bring a mobile phone to school, please remind them that **ALL** phones should be handed in to the boxes on the door in a morning.

Bleakhouse Primary School take no responsibility for valuable items brought into school.





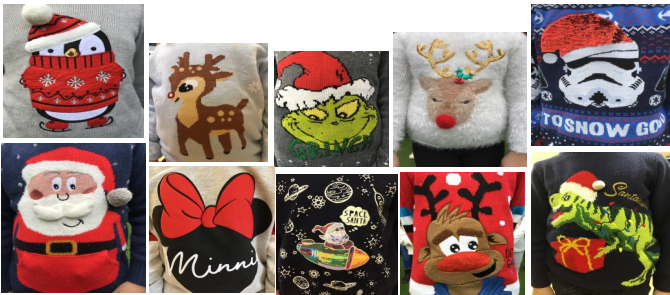
## Book Borrowing

Did you know that your child is able to borrow another story book in addition to their banded reading book? We have a wide variety of books to choose from in school, ask your child to

speak to their class teacher or see Mrs Martin, to find out what exciting stories we have to offer. The most popular books at the moment are... graphic novels - which are like comic books. Come and see if we have something you might like to borrow.

## Festive Celebrations

On Thursday 15th December we held our annual Christmas dinner followed by a party afternoon. It was a lovely sight to see so many children enjoying the day, tucking into festive food, and dancing the afternoon away. Many pupils (and staff) chose to wear their Christmas jumpers, can you spot yours?



## Christmas Jumper Day

We had a wonderful response to our non uniform day on Thursday 8th December. School was filled with lots of festive jumpers and we raised £250 for Save the Children Charity. Thank you to all who donated.

*Christmas*  
**JUMPER DAY**



# SCHOOL UNIFORM

At Bleakhouse Primary we are very proud of our school uniform. We would like you to support us by ensuring all pupils are wearing the correct uniform to school every day. And that all items are labelled with your child's name. We are seeing an increasing number of pupils wearing incorrect uniform and, we have a constantly increasing amount of unclaimed items.



Thank you for your support with this matter.

# Early Bird's BREAKFAST CLUB



Are you going to be late collecting?

Do you need to drop off early because of an appointment?

Has your meeting over run and you won't be finished in time for the school run?

If you have answered yes to any of the above questions then you may need to use our flexible wrap around care service. Breakfast Club starts at 7.45, after school club finishes at 4.30 or 5.30. Charges apply, please contact the school office for more information.

