December 14# 2021

# NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents & Carers,

With only four school days remaining this term, here are a final few updates for you all.

## **CHRISTMAS JUMPER/NON-UNIFORM DAY**

A reminder that tomorrow – *Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December* – is a Christmas Non-Uniform Day. Children do not need to wear school uniform and may instead wear a festive jumper or outfit. We would welcome donations on the day which all go to FOSS, our school PTA, and will be used toward further enhancing learning resources for all children.

In addition, we have some fun games which children can take part in. These will be available from Wednesday to Friday and include : *Guess the name of the Festive Carrot* and *Guess the number of baubles in the jar* – suggested donations of 50p to £1 are welcomed for these games (maximum one



go per child). Children will all receive a free festive, fun activity sheet to take home and can make and take home some 'Reindeer Food' ready for Christmas Eve.

## NATIVITY AND CHRISTMAS SHOWS

Our festive productions are almost ready to share with you. Our staff and children have worked really hard to prepare and film these in a relatively short space of time. Please watch out for an email or letter with a link to the films on our YouTube site in the next couple of days. We hope you enjoy these with your families and that they help to put you in a festive mood.

## **SOCIAL SKILLS IN SPORT**

I have included a special update newsletter from Mr McTernan, our sport advisor, who has been very busy, working alongside Mrs Anderson our Sport Leader and our staff and children. As part of our school development plan, we have been focusing on improving social skills through sport, and we have already seen some great impact within our PE lessons and also during social sporting activities at breaktimes. I hope that you find the update interesting.

## **SPRING TERM**

A reminder that school closes on Friday this week (17<sup>th</sup> December) and all children return to school on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022**.

Although there have continued to be additional challenges for everyone this term, due to the continuation of the Covid pandemic, we have had a successful and enjoyable first term of the school year. On behalf of all the Starbeck Primary team, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents, carers and friends of the school for your continued support. We wish you a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy new year.

Yours sincerely,

Mr G de Castro-Morland Headteacher



