

Personal goals: This week we have taken time to focus on ‘**respect**’ - how do your children behave when with an adult? Do they listen, give eye contact, and do as they are told?

Next week we will take another look at ‘**cooperation**’ – this is such a crucial life skill and one that needs modelling and teaching at home and at school.

Christmas Fair: Thank you to everyone who came along to support our first ever Christmas fair. It was fantastic. A lot of hard work went in beforehand from mums and dads – huge enthusiasm was shown. We raised just over £1300! This is going towards the playground development project – starting in the new year.

Birthdays: A couple of weeks ago I wrote requesting that cakes were not sent in on birthdays – I know it is nice to send in something but there are too many children with allergies or dietary requirements. ***We will not accept cakes any more, nor sweets/chocolates.*** A simple ‘Happy Birthday’ is fine. It will also save you a fair few pennies!

Key Stage Two Carol Concert – 2:15pm prompt start: There are now spare tickets for the Carol Concert – if you put your name on the ‘reserves’ list then please pop into the office to collect your second ticket.

Toy Day: On the last day of term, children can bring in to school a toy or a game to share with their friends. **NOTHING ELECTRONIC, DIGITAL - NO TECH.** This is a chance for some ‘old favourites’ to be played – dolls, teddies, play figures, board games, cards, drawing books, cartoon books, origami to name but a few. Please don’t bring in anything very precious just in case there are accidents.

Competition Time – Road Safety Poster extension to deadline: We were very lucky to have a special Road Safety assembly, led by one of our mums. She is inviting all children to design an eye catching road safety poster – with plenty of winners! Please bring your completed design to school by next Wednesday (19th)

Spare uniform: We frequently run out of spare uniform for our younger pupils – we would really appreciate donations if you have spare, unwanted clothes for 4, 5, 6 and 7 year old boys and girls (socks, tights, knickers, pants, trousers, skirts, t-shirts, sweatshirts).

Clubs: We have a new range of clubs for the Spring term. Teacher run clubs start in the second week back and your child will have been given notification of their club. Lunchtime clubs will be sorted within school.

Days and Dates:

New events will be indicated in **bold and underlined.**

Week beginning	Event

<p>17th December</p>	<p>No teacher run clubs after school this week –MONDAY AND TUESDAY FOOTBALL WILL BE ON AS NORMAL, as will rattle and roll, rhythm and rhyme, on as normal</p> <p>Tuesday 18th: Key Stage Two carol Concert and recital 2:15 here at school</p> <p><u>Wednesday 19th: Year 6 parents invited in to share their amazing work from this unit. Come along at 2:50. (see letter sent out separately)</u></p> <p>Wednesday 19th: Key Stage One (Years 1&2) party – more details from class teachers</p> <p>Wednesday 19th: Christmas Dinner Day (book on as a ‘one off’) and Christmas Jumper Day supporting Manchester Children’s Hospital. (£1:00 donation)</p> <p>Thursday 20th: EYFS class party – more details from class teachers</p> <p><u>Friday 21st: Toy Day – see note above – NOTHING digital/technical</u></p> <p>Friday 21st: Finish for the holidays</p>
<p>And further ahead</p>	<p>Monday January 7th: Return to school</p> <p>W/B Monday 7th January: Dance clubs start for KS1 and KS2 – see letter sent out</p> <p>Monday 14th January: Teacher run clubs start this week</p> <p>Friday 18th January: Six week literacy unit for Year 5 run by City in the Community</p> <p>Tuesday January 22nd: MFL workshop for 4 x Year 5 pupils at MGS</p> <p>Wednesday January 23rd: Year 6 trip to Manchester Youth Zone: TechOver – an interactive careers fair that introduces young people to digital technology and how it shapes the modern workplace. Most children are familiar with computers, mobile phones and social media – TechOver will offer them a unique insight into how technology improves and reimagines existing jobs, as well as create new ones. This is a great opportunity to experience technology from a wide variety of sectors, including IT, healthcare, public transport, and more.</p> <p>Wednesday 24th January: Fantastic beasts workshop for Year 3 – details in the new year – cost around £5:00 per pupil</p> <p>Wednesday 24th January: ‘In the News’ workshop for Year 5 – details in the new year – cost about £5:00 per pupil</p> <p>March 4th: Whole School Science event (cost about £2:50 per pupil)</p> <p>Monday 29th April: Pirates Workshop for Year 1 – cost about £5:00 per pupil</p> <p><u>Wednesday 22nd May: NSPCC ‘Speak out, stay safe’ assemblies and workshops</u></p>

