

# CONIFERS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Parents/Carers,

Phew! We made it..... (albeit for tomorrow)

The last few weeks have pretty been busy; our Christmas Fayre, (thank you to Mrs Hutchinson and Mrs Thirlwall and of course our amazing PTA and staff) was a roaring success, with so much on offer to participate in, drink or eat and of course win on our Tombola Raffle. Our Nativity, which is always a marvellous spectacle, was once again, simply brilliant! Excellent vocals and choreography by our Reception children who performed magnificently and thank you for your audience participation, and taking the time to support them. Our thanks to Father Gregory for leading our Christingle and thanks to any higher 'beings' for no disasters involving naked flames or smoke inhalation! Our annual and seasonal Carol Competition, which was performed all together as a school was a huge success and brilliant fun. It was a close call between first, second and third, but irrespective of this, everyone was a winner, as the children had clearly worked so hard to learn their carols and perform them in front of the school. It was a pleasure to welcome you into school to see their efforts on both Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon. It was also a huge pleasure to welcome Santa and his Elves to Conifers, who arrived by helicopter and was welcomed by hundreds of very excited children – and, I have to say, one or two adults! What was also a pleasure – was the return of Team Days, when the entire school mixes, from Reception children to Year 6, to participate in activities of their personal choosing. Watching the children all engaged and co-operating with one another is an absolute joy to behold.

Thank you for your company and support at all our activities, your presence makes all the difference; and the joy it brings to the children is clearly obvious. We are always happy to welcome you into the school and hope you found the experiences as enjoyable as the children. That said – I'm still recovering from the assault on my ears from our impromptu Carol Service on Monday evening. As parents, you sounded angelic – as staff – I think we may need a little practice!

Staying with the theme of school activities; we have one last one to complete, a final whole school enterprise, which is the 'Santa Dash', being held tomorrow. This is always a festival of good sportsmanship, with all children enthusiastically taking part and it provides a timely opportunity for children to 'run off' some of the copious amounts of food being consumed around the school! The results will be shared during a Whole School Assembly, followed by our traditional 'Sing-along-a-carol' which tends to be a slightly boisterous affair.

We have some small staff shifts for the New Year – Mrs Moorley will be joining the Year 5 team and Mrs Young will be joining our Reception team. We'll be seeing more of Mrs Chinnock in our Early Years and Mrs Prior, as she returns to her full-time commitment in Redwood, allowing Mrs West to focus on her SENCo role.



I'll end by simply wishing you all a Very Merry Christmas – stay safe, stay well and we'll see you in the New Year!

My best wishes to you all.

Kind regards



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Headteacher

