

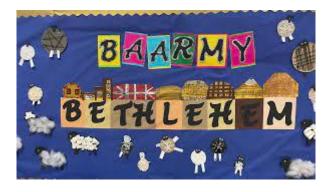
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December, forthcoming events for the week commencing 4 <sup>th</sup> December 2023			
Monday	04.12.23	8.00-8.40am	Breakfast Club
			Key Stage 2 Football Lunchtime Club - Mr Mawn
		3.15-4.30pm	Hang Out after school club
		Extended 3.15-5.30pm	
Tuesday	05.12.23	8.00-8.40am	Breakfast Club
			Dinky Dance Club - Methodist Chapel
		3.15-4.30pm	Hang Out after school club
		Extended 3.15-5.30pm	
Wednesday	06.12.23	8.00-8.40am	Breakfast Club
		3.15-4.30pm	Hang Out after school club
		Extended 3.15-5.30 pm	
Thursday	07.12.23	8.00-8.40am	Breakfast Club
			Forest School - Hornton Sports Pavilion
		3.15-4.30pm	Hang Out after school club
		Extended 3.15-5.30pm	
Friday	08.12.23	8.00-8.40am	Breakfast Club
		3.15-4.30pm	Hang Out After School Club
		Extended 3.15-5.30 pm	

6<sup>th</sup> December - PTA Toy collection (please bring clean unbroken toys to the main school door)

12<sup>th</sup> December - Nursery, EYFS and Oak Class Nativity Play 11.00 am and 2.00 pm.

14th December - Key Stage 2 Evening Carol Concert at 6.30 pm

20th December - End of term 12.00 pm finish



**Christmas is coming to Hornton**... On the 12<sup>th</sup> of December, the children from Peach Tree, EYFS and Oak Class will be performing **'Baarmy Bethlehem'**. The children are really enjoying learning the songs and the costumes will look super. The performances will take place at 11.00am and 2.00pm at the Pavillion.

For each performance, each family will be given two tickets (there is no cost). These will be handed out on Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup> of December. If there are any spare tickets we will let you know on Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> of December.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of December, Key Stage 2 will be performing a selection of festive songs and musical pieces. The **Christmas concert** will take place at 6.30pm at the Church. Please be aware that space is limited (3 guests per child).

Most clubs have finished for this term apart from Forest School Club and Dinky Dance Club (who will be performing for parents at 4.00 pm during the class). If you would like to run a club next term, please let me know - we have had requests for a netball and a chess club.

#### A Festive note from our PTA

#### Christmas Surprise! - Monday 18th December

We have planned a wonderful Christmas surprise for the children (more information will follow nearer the time), however if you would like to help please come along to a meeting on Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup> of December at 7.00pm to join us in creating festive magic.

## Christmas Party Morning - Wednesday 20th December

On the last day of term, children are invited to wear non-school uniform (or something festive!) to school. They will be watching a film in their classrooms with a party bag of treats and there may be some snow forecast too!

Our school is now looking festive and colourful thanks to all our wonderful family decorations. If you still need to add your decoration to the tree, please bring it in on Monday. This was such a success last year and now firmly forms part of the Hornton Primary School Christmas traditions! A big thank you to the Taylor family who have kindly donated our Christmas tree.













**Year 3 and 4 charity Children's Clothes Sale** - Once again, the children in Year 3 and 4 have demonstrated their thoughtful and caring nature and ran a super second hand clothes sale. Thank you for donating clothes and supporting this kind group of children.





**Parking** - As we all know, we have limited parking available in the immediate vicinity of the school. Even so, it is imperative that we continue to park with respect to the residents of Hornton and their right of way to their homes. There is ample parking available at the Pavilion, from where it is a short and pleasant walk to the school. A few extra minutes of walking can significantly reduce congestion and improve safety for children, parents, and residents near schools.

I really like it when children email me projects they have been working on. Here is an example of a poem from Year 5.

Christmas trees and presents

Laughter everywhere, I can smell Christmas in the air.

Being with my family lots of smiles and hugs.

This is what Christmas is about and this is what I love.

By Dolly King



Please read with your child every day.

It can create magical memories by bonding during the festive season.

We have a basket of Christmas books outside Willow Classroom, please feel free to borrow them to read at home.

Taking the time to read together can help you both escape from the real world for a little while and unwind - getting stuck into an imaginary world isn't just for children! Doing this together creates a bond between you and your child, sharing an important part of their development and creating meaningful memories.

# According to Waterstones, the most popular children's books this Christmas are:

The Christmas aurus Carol by T. Fletcher
Bluey: Christmas Eve with Verandah Santa
The Jolly Christmas Postman by A. and J. Ahlberg
There's a Bear in Your Book by T. Fletcher
The Miraculous Sweetmakers by N. Hastings
The Last Bear by H. Gold
The Ice Children by M. G. Leonard
Where Magic Grows by O. Q. Rauf

At the end of the school day, please be very conscious that the gate is open; we would not want any child to find himself or herself on the road without an adult.

## **Hornton Pavilion**

Hornton Pavilion (Village Hall) is a warm welcoming venue ideal for Birthday Parties. To view and discuss booking dates contact Isabelle Harris on 01295 670304.