



## **ATTENDANCE**

As a school we are looking at the attendance of all our children. It is so important that they are in school as much as possible and arrive at school ready to start their learning at 8:55am. We do have a number of children whose attendance and lateness is causing great concern. We will continue to work very hard alongside parents to ensure that children do attend school.

Children are required to attend school every day. Please remember that children who miss a lot of school achieve less.

**Those children who are often late miss a major part of the day** when children meet their friends and teaching starts. Please be aware that we are following up any attendance that is below the expected level.

Attendance during one school year	Equals days absent	Which is approximately weeks absent	Which means this number of lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons

## **CHILDREN IN NEED**

The Children in Need day raised £380 last Friday. Thank you for sending donations and for buying cakes from the reception children. It is good to support such a worthwhile charity.

## **HOWITT FUNDRAISERS/PTA AGM WEDNESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER 5:00pm**

PTA's Annual General Meeting is being held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 5:00pm. Please return the nomination slip should you wish to nominate someone for the PTA committee. The person you nominate will need to attend the AGM to accept their position should they be successfully voted on to the committee.

## **CHRISTMAS FAYRE FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 3:30pm**

The PTA is holding a Christmas Faye. There will be craft stalls, games stalls, refreshments, as well as Father Christmas who will make an appearance. Each class will be holding stalls in classrooms. We look forward to seeing you.

## **CHOCOLATE, NON UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

We are having a non-uniform day on Friday and we would like the children to bring some chocolate for the PTA chocolate tombola, which will be held on the Heanor Christmas lights switch-on (December 4<sup>th</sup>). The proceeds will be used by the PTA to support the children's learning.

## **DOGS**

Please do not bring your dog onto the school premises at any time. Some children are not happy to be around dogs for various reasons. This is in line with Derbyshire County Council's policy.

## **INSET DAY MONDAY 27<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

3<sup>rd</sup> December 4:00pm Infant choir at St Luke's church, Loscoe - Loscoe lights switch on

8<sup>th</sup> December 7:00pm Infant choir at St Luke's church, Loscoe - WI Christmas Carol Service

15<sup>th</sup> December 7:00pm Junior choir and community adult choir event at St Luke's church, Loscoe

Please look at our website for further information: [www.howittprimary.org.uk](http://www.howittprimary.org.uk)