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CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

To build the festive mood on the day of the Christmas Fayre, all children are invited to come to school wearing a Christmas jumper instead of a school jumper or cardigan. All other uniform items must be worn please.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

We are all looking forward to the Christmas Fayre, taking place in school next Friday from 3.15pm to 6pm. A reminder of all details will be posted on Class Dojo.
If you need any further raffle tickets, please do pop into the School Office.

GOVERNOR MONITORING

We are looking forward to welcoming our governors into school on Tuesday for a monitoring visit. They will each meet with subject leaders to discuss strengths and areas for ongoing development in key areas, as we continue to work together to ensure the best for our children.

WEEKLY WELL DONES!

Well done to the following children, who were nominated for the outstanding worker award on Friday:
EYFS: Nelly; KS1: Finley; LKS2: Seb;
UKS2: Bridget.
We are also very proud of these children who have been spotted demonstrating our Christian values:
EYFS: Oliver; KS1: Kara; LKS2: James;
UKS2: Poppy B.

DECORATION COMPETITION

A reminder that Christmas tree decoration entries need to be brought into school by Monday 11th December, in time to decorate the tree and for judging to take place.

KS2 BOOK CLUB

We are looking forward to our KS2 Book Club meeting after school on Friday. The focus text is 'The Land of Roar' by Jenny McLachlan. If your child has not already signed up, but would like to attend, please just let us know.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

From January, we will have a vacancy for a new parent governor. This is due to Helen Swift's term of office coming to an end. Helen has made a significant contribution to the life of the school over the past 4 years, including working as part of the change of age team, which was a key strategic project for the school. An enormous thank you to Helen for the gift of her time, skills and knowledge. A letter has been sent home to all families outlining the nomination process for our next parent governor. If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to speak to Mrs Martin or Claire Johnston.

KS1 CURRICULUM VISIT

KS1 have a great start to the week next week, with a visit to the Sea Life Centre in Birmingham on Monday!

OUR VALUES THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Our focus Christian value for this half-term is 'Perseverance'.

**A RIVER CUTS
THROUGH A ROCK
NOT BECAUSE OF
ITS POWER, BUT
ITS PERSISTENCE.**

THE PROVERBS

PARENT/CARER VISION WORKSHOP

Please do come along and take part in our school vision workshop tomorrow at 2.15pm, if you are able to. This is an informal session to gain your thoughts and feedback. Biscuits will be on offer!

CHILDREN IN NEED

Thank you so much for entering into the fundraising spirit so generously – Himbleton raised an amazing £208 for this great cause!

MESSY CHURCH AND FAMILY SERVICE

A very exciting session is planned for Sunday's Family Service in Church, as we embark upon the festive season. Please see overleaf for further details...

HAPPY 150TH BIRTHDAY HIMBLETON SCHOOL!

On Friday of this week, we will all be stepping back in time to experience life in school as it was when Himbleton first opened its doors to the local community. Children are invited to come to school in costume, dressed as a Victorian school child. Activities in school will reflect this era, as we explore how education and the world in which we live has evolved during this time.

If you wish to explore this a little with your child prior to the day, the following resources may be helpful:

<https://www.victorianschool.co.uk/schoolday.php>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FOMrCi-mh_k

<https://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/victorians/children/schools.htm>

We have some great historical artefacts in school, which we will be sharing with the children. We even have the school's old punishment log!

You are all welcome to come into the UKS2 classroom at the end of the school day to enjoy a piece of birthday cake in celebration. Please note: Football and Book Club will still be running, as will After School Care.

