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Dear Parents/Carers,

We really can't believe it is the last day of term! It has been a busy but enjoyable week in school, and lovely to be able to celebrate Christmas in the 'usual' way after so many years with COVID restrictions.

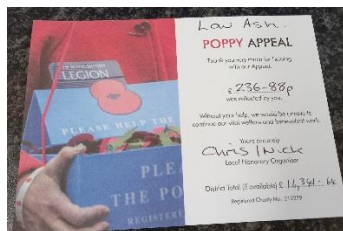
Christmas Celebrations

It has been lovely this week to have parents in school for the KS1 Nativity – we think you will all agree that it was fabulous and the children did themselves and us proud. Well done also to KS2 for their beautiful performance last night in our Carols by Candlelight celebration at St Cuthbert's Church. It was truly lovely and enjoyed by all. Thank you to all the parents and carers who came along. It was fantastic to be back in the church after several years even if the outdoor performance in the playground last year was so magical.

Thank you to all the staff involved in the Early Years Christmas Evenings earlier this week. Nursery very much enjoyed their Christmas story at school and Reception loved their evening trip out in the minibuses to see the Christmas Lights.

Choir

Thank you to Miss Hansen and the Choir for their delightful performances in the local community during the last week. For those who have been unaware of this, they sang at the Wrose Christmas markets last Saturday, in Wrose Chapel yesterday and at Well Springs Nursing Home this morning.



Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone for their support with this year's Poppy Appeal. We received a lovely card from the British Legion to thank us for our generous £236.88. It's also good to know that the local community has raised a massive £16,341.64 in total, which is really good going.



Asda Green Tokens

As always, please do remember to vote again this week for Low Ash in the Asda Green Token initiative. Please vote **each week** for us by clicking on www.asda.com/green-tokens and selecting Shipley from the drop-down menu. We are currently holding our lead, now with 45% of the vote, so please help to keep us there!

Goodbyes

We are sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Julie Lee in the kitchen today as she starts her retirement after 21 years working at Low Ash. The children in Year 6 made her a cake earlier this week 'because she has fed us all these years and we want to cook for her instead!' We will miss her very much, but wish her every happiness and also hope that she will visit us often.



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As we said last week, we are also saying goodbye to Miss Ransley and Mr Nowakowski as they start their new exciting jobs in 'pastures new' and wish them every success. We will miss them, too, and hope they keep in touch to let us know how they are getting on.

Ice Safety

We have been asked by the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service to share the following link in response to the recent tragedy in Solihull - <https://www.rlss.org.uk/winter-water-safety>.

New Entrance

The new entrance area is now complete, with just the outdoor work to finish next week. Hopefully, by the time we return after the holidays, the yellow portacabin will have gone and the office will be housed in the smart new part of the building. We think you'll agree how fabulous it is when you see it! We are planning a Grand Opening on Wednesday 4th January at 2.00pm when the Lord Mayor of Bradford has promised to come to 'cut the ribbon'. For those of you who have been with us through the building work, this is the end of a 5 year project which has seen us gain a brand new Nursery building, a room linking the two Reception classes, a new library and an impressive new entrance as well as some much-needed internal room space.

Entrance Doors

In January, there will also be a change of entrance door for some of the classes in Year 3-5. Years 3, 4 and 5 will enter via their cloakroom door, where there will be an adult to see them in while they hang up their coats and make their way along to the classroom. This is because the classrooms are becoming so cold first thing in the morning due to the door being open for quite a period of time as everyone comes in. We hope this system will keep the warmth in and make the classrooms considerably warmer during the mornings. The children will exit from their classrooms as they are currently doing.

Please remember that school re-opens again for children and staff on **Tuesday 3rd January**. As always, thank you for your ongoing support this term and hope you have an enjoyable and restful holiday. We wish you a very happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing you again in January.

Kind regards,

Fiona Meer and Beth Medhurst
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