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Dear Parents

It's a busy few weeks in the run up to Christmas; Fox Cubs, Year 1 and Year 2 are busy with rehearsals for their Christmas Production and in assemblies we are learning the carols ready for the service on Friday 20th December. Children in Years 1, 2, 3 & 4 have educational visits booked to either Beaumanor Hall or to the New Walk Museum.

Children in Need

A fantastic £106 was raised from our non-uniform day for this year's Children in Need appeal. Thank you for your support, Children in Need is able to make a real difference to the lives of children all across the UK.

Christmas Dinner

This year's Christmas Dinner will be on Thursday 19th December. The normal charge of £2.05 will apply for this meal – payable in advance. Please complete the slip below and return to school by Friday 6th December. Please return the slip even if you do NOT wish your child to have Christmas Dinner.

The menu will be: *Roast Turkey, Bacon & Chipolata Roll, Sage & Onion Stuffing, Gravy or Courgette Festive Bake & Gravy with Roast & Creamed Potatoes, Garden Peas & Carrots.* For pudding: *Christmas Plum Pudding & Vanilla Sauce or Chocolate Brownie & Vanilla Sauce.*

Out of School Learning

We have purchased access to the following websites for the children to use at home:

Espresso <https://online.espresso.co.uk> – Pupil username: **student19685** Pupil password: **Foxton**

Mathletics <http://www.mathletics.co.uk> – the children should have their individual logins and passwords. I have the master copy of the details if necessary!

Children in Year 5 and 6 also have logins to the website <http://www.sumdog.com> again I have a copy of all the logins and passwords.

Fire Safety

On Wednesday 4th December children in Year 1 and Year 5 will be visited by Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service who will teach the children all about fire safety. They will listen to a talk and watch a video all about what to do if they encounter a fire. They will learn how to make a fire plan at home with their family and how to check their fire alarms at home.

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Name:

My child **WILL** be having Christmas Dinner

My child **WILL NOT** be having Christmas Dinner

My child would like the VEGETARIAN option

Kibworth High School's Consultation

Kibworth High School's consultation about their change of admission's policy is open until midnight on 5th January 2014. A link to their electronic survey is available on their website's homepage: www.kibworthhigh.leics.sch.uk in the 'Notices' section. Kibworth High School will be having a meeting about their proposals at Kibworth High School on Wednesday 11th December from 6-7pm. Please let them know by Monday 9th December if you wish to attend, either by emailing admin@kibworthhigh.leics.sch.uk or telephone on 0116 2792238. Alternatively, please check www.kibworthhigh.leics.sch.uk for a Frequently Asked Questions section which they will have ready by Friday 6th December. This should provide answers to most of your questions.

Snow

Should there be enough snow to mean the school is unable to open; messages will be relayed through BBC Radio Leicester 104.9. A text message will also be sent using the school's messaging service.

Mr Archer-Dutton

We wish Mr Archer-Dutton all the best as he leaves us for his new job in Wigston. His last day is Friday 6th December. We offer thanks to him for all he's done for the children and the school during his time with us.

Switch Off Fortnight

We are taking part in Switch Off Fortnight which began on Monday 18th November and runs until Sunday 1st December. Look out for the activities our Eco Warriors are sending home with the children and don't be surprised if they go around switching lights off! Prizes can be won by completing the energy pledge – use the following link: <http://jointhepod.org/campaigns/pledges/pledge/29>

Foxton Christmas Fair

The Foxton Village Christmas Fair is taking place on Saturday 7th December at the Robert Monk Hall. Our recorder group will be playing from 11.45am.

We Will Rock You

Children in Year 5 and 6 enjoyed the Robert Smyth Academy's production last week. It was great to see a former Foxton pupil, Jack Robinson in one of the starring roles.

Birmingham Trip

Years 5 and 6 had great day out to Birmingham. The children were captivated as they discovered and explored the synagogue and enthralled throughout the marvellous production of Tom's Midnight Garden and we were honoured as the Director of the show came to talk to us and ask our opinions during the interval. It was also great to visit our partner school and make new friends, they hope to visit us next Summer Term.

Retro-reflective Scarves

We are awaiting supply of retro-reflective scarves. Retro-reflection means 'reflecting back the light to the light source'; the material incorporates glass bead technology developed by manufacturer 3M. This means the scarves light up when car headlights shine on them. The cost of a scarf is £5 and they will be available from Mrs Raymakers in the School Office.

Achievement Assembly

On Friday 29th November family and friends are invited to our Achievement Assembly starting at 2.45pm, refreshments available from 2.25pm. The Monthly Class Achievement Cups will be presented for P.E. There will also be a surprise for a child in the school who has won a 'Design a Christmas Card' competition. Finally, don't forget the cake raffle – 50p a ticket.

Congratulations to Ben Haddon who was runner up in the School Food Support Service's pumpkin growing competition.

Yours sincerely

P Clark