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Dear Families,

Parent governor vacancies Thank you so much to Mrs Tracy Evans, who has come to the end of her term as a parent governor. Over the past 4 years Tracy has been a fantastic support to the school leadership and has played a highly active role in the meetings and when attending training. We will miss her very much!

This means that we currently have 2 parent governor vacancies, and the formal letter about these was sent out earlier this week. If you are interested and would like to find out more, please contact either the school office or Sue Van Hout, our chair of governors (chair@fog.hlt.academy) for an informal chat. All training is provided and the governors normally meet 6 times a year, with further opportunities to be involved such as smaller group sessions, training and school visits.

Children in Need Friday 19th November Next week is Children in Need day, and we are going with their theme of Fancy Dress Friday...so please encourage your children to come along in a fun outfit, with a small donation for Children in Need. Face painting and hair colours are all fine but please just check your child is going to be warm enough in their outfit, and that they will still be able to run around as usual!

Next Friday is also the Ash class bun day, which means that all children can bring along 20p to buy a bun, brownie, cookie...or whatever delights Ash class bring in!

SEND drop-in for families Kirsty Mills our Lead Trust SENDCo is offering a drop in session on Monday 6th December between 8:30am and 12pm for any families who would like to discuss their child and any special educational needs. As it is a drop in session you may have to wait for another person to finish as she will see everyone individually for confidentiality. If you feel you need an extended amount of time please book a separate appointment with Kirsty on a different date (see contact details below). The drop in will take place face to face at school, however if you feel more comfortable speaking on the phone or a zoom please text Kirsty on the number below and she will arrange this for you.

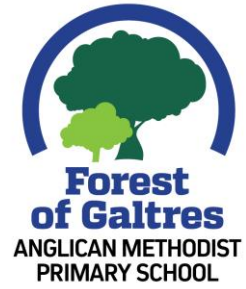
Contact information:

Tel:07725116081

Email: k.mills@hslt.academy

Salvation Army Angel Tree Reverend Trevor has confirmed that the Salvation Army will be running their Angel Tree Christmas gifts again. To take part, please choose a simple gift for a child of your own child's age: this should be wrapped and labelled (eg Age 6, or Age 10 Girl) and sent into class with your child. The Wetherby Salvation Army will then give these out to children in the area who may not otherwise have anything to open on Christmas morning. The gifts will be collected by the Salvation Army in the w/c 6th December.

School Christmas events We have pencilled in some dates for Christmas events towards the end of this half term, but please be aware that these may very well change at very short notice depending on the wider public health situation.



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Applications for primary school places From 12th October applications are open for primary school places in the Reception year for September 2022. If you live in the City of York Council area, applications should be made online at <https://www.york.gov.uk/admissions> and if you live in the North Yorkshire County Council area, the website is at <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-admissions>

The closing date is 15 January 2022. **Even if your child already attends our Nursery, you still need to make an application for a Reception school place.**

Dojo Awards

Well done to this week's Dojo award winners!

Titus Rigg

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Keeping in touch with school The main school office email is now hello@fog.hslt.academy. All staff emails remain in the old format initial.surname@fog.hlt.academy but staff can also be contacted through Tapestry and Google Classroom for now, and will update to the @fog.hslt address later this term. Emails sent to the previous addresses are still coming through to us, but over time this arrangement will stop. **We are aware that there have been some issues around emails being bounced back, so to be on the safe side it is worth trying both formats for now!** Please be aware that the member of staff you are trying to contact may not be working that day, in which case it is unlikely that they will be able to follow anything up with you. There are also some updates going on with the school website, so if things appear out of date please bear with us (and the web technicians!)

e-letters the following letters have been sent this week:

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Letters which have reply slips (eg the club booking forms) can be completed electronically and emailed back to school at hello@fog.hslt.academy

Diary dates

19.11.21 - Ash Bun Day
19.11.21 – Fancy Dress Friday
3.12.21 - EYFS Bun Day
6.12.21 – SEND drop in session
7.12.21 – Christmas Jumper
coffee morning
8.12.21 – Christmas church
service (am)
17.12.21 – School closes for
Christmas

Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please tell us if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone; a discussion with a school colleague of the same gender.