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Dear Families,

**Social media posts** We know that some parents are part of WhatsApp groups for their child's class and that these can be a useful way of sharing information and connecting with other families.

However, after the church service we have been made aware of families posting videos and photos to social media which include children who are not their own. No one should be posting videos or photos of other peoples' children without specific consent from those parents. We have children in school where consent has NOT been given for use of photos and videos outside of school, and posting goes directly against this.

If you have posted video and/or photos, these must be removed immediately; or edited so that other children are not identifiable (blurring faces or covering with Emojis).

Unfortunately if families choose not to follow this guidance it means that we are left with no option but to ban all photography at these events.

**School Christmas dinner** Just a reminder that the Christmas dinner is on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December. The kitchen will be cooking for everyone so if you DO NOT wish your child to have the Christmas dinner please let us know ASAP.

On Thursday everyone is welcome to come in Christmas clothes again for Christmas dinner day; then on Friday (the last day of term) everyone can come in non-uniform (Christmas clothes

Christmas Jumper Coffee Morning & Church Thank you to everyone who has supported these events this week: it have been lovely to be able to hold some actual in person Christmas things. All the money raised through the coffee morning and the Friends raffle goes to support the children in school and helps give us little extras!

**Excellence awards** If your child was one of the winners of an Excellence Award last half term please can these come back to school ready for the end of term. Thank you.

**Salvation Army Angel Tree** We have a good collection of gifts so far and these have not been collected yet, so still chance to send something along if you are doing any last minute shopping over the weekend!

**Applications for primary school places** From 12<sup>th</sup> 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



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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!

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:

- NHS child measurement programme (Reception & Y6)
- Shipton Church Christingle

Letters which have reply slips (eg the club booking forms) can be completed electronically and emailed back to school at <a href="mailto:hello@fog.hslt.academy">hello@fog.hslt.academy</a>



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#### **Diary dates**

6.12.21 – SEND drop in session 7.12.21 – Christmas Jumper coffee morning 8.12.21 – Christmas church service (10am) 16.12.21 – Christmas dinner 17.12.21 – School closes for Christmas 5.1.22 – School opens

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.