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## Newsletter December 2016

Dear Parents, Carers and All,

Christmas is fast approaching and the excitement levels are building rapidly (not just the children!!).

Both settings are busy creating and exploring lots of Christmas activities. We will be doing an overview of the activities for the red books for the beginning of next week and then won't be writing in them individually for the last few sessions (unless we have some specific information to share). We will be putting up photos of the children having Christmas fun so please keep a look out for them around the settings.

Bridgerule send a warm welcome to Joseph and Milo; and Bradford are having to say a sad farewell to Otto and Jessica and we wish the well in the future.

All invoices for the term should now be paid or a payment plan set up.

Don't forget the big fundraising event at the weekend - Christmas Bingo - Saturday  $3^{rd}$  December, at Bradford Village Hall. Doors open 6.30pm for a 7.30pm start. Please come along and support the committee, who are working hard to make it a successful night.

Hopefully you will have all received your handprint items by now. We were really pleased with the results, particularly the speed of delivery and hope you were pleased too!

Both settings are holding their Christmas parties on Wednesday  $14^{th}$  December. Bridgerule's party will start at 1.00pm with a 'bring and share' lunch (see list in setting) until the end of the session. Bradford's party will be from 12-2.30 again with bring and share lunch. We would also like to invite parents to come in for a play and a cuppa maybe even a mince piel! At Bradford this will be after the party on Wednesday  $14^{th}$  from 2.30pm and at Bridgerule it will be on Friday  $16^{th}$  from 2.30pm.

We would like to see the children wearing something 'Christmassy' for our last days of term (Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December for Bradford and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December for Bridgerule). This can be anything from a Christmas jumper to a piece of tinsel in their hair!!

Bridgerule parents - please remember that no parents are to park in the car park alongside the school during morning drop off and afternoon collection time, due to the volume of children moving around and the limited visibility when coming out of there. We also ask that parents are mindful of speed and safe parking at all times around the school in particular not blocking private drives or obstructing junctions. We appreciate there is limited parking facilities attached to the school but the safety of all children has to be our priority. The school have had complaints via the parish council and the police will be patrolling the area at times. Thank you.

Next term begins on Wednesday  $4^{th}$  January 2017 for Bridgerule children and Tuesday  $10^{th}$  January 2017 for Bradford children.

From all the staff team we would like to thank you for your support throughout the year. We wish you all a magical Christmas with your children and a very Happy New Year. See you in 2017!!!

Pre-school Team