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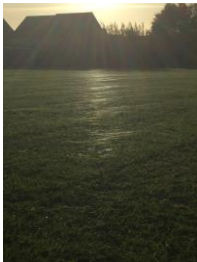
Dear Parents and Carers,



### Children in Need

We would like to say a huge thank you to all our families. You raised a grand total of £145.22 for Children in Need!

### Teaching, Learning and Enrichment



A few highlights from last week in Forest School: Wonderful concentration shown by all children when weaving God's eyes. The children also demonstrated great courage when balancing and the Y2 children in particular showed friendship and positive encouragements while watching their friends balance.

Jesse in Y4 made an excellent Pudsey Bear out of leaves.

Finally the beautiful cobwebs shimmering across the field in the low light.



Today, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, Layston hosted a speed-stacking event for Y1 and Y2 children organised by the School Sports Partnership. The children had a lovely morning of activity with other children invited from other local Buntingford first schools.

### FOLS Non-uniform day

FOLS are inviting children to come into school in non-uniform on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November and to bring in a voluntary donation (big or small) for the Christmas Fair tombola. Please remember that we are a nut free school and alcoholic donations can be handed into the school office or to a FOLS representative on the playground.



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### **Christmas Fair**

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 3:15-6:00pm FOLS will be holding our annual Christmas Fair. There will be a range of stalls, including Forest School handmade Christmas decorations. FOLS have been in contact with Father Christmas and he has made time in his busy schedule to visit us. The Santa's Grotto booking page is now set up and tickets will be available to purchase from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 18.00pm.

The link to book is:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsoflaystonschool/index.cfm?event=shop>

Santa Slots are limited, so to fit as many children in as possible we ask that you book one slot per family (or group of friends). Additional children can be booked on by purchasing an 'Additional Child Ticket'. Any queries, please email FOLS at [friendsoflaystonschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoflaystonschool@gmail.com)"

### **Christmas production**

For this year's production Years 1-4 children will be taking part in Aladdin. Each family will be given 2 tickets to use over 3 performances. Play performances will take place on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 1:30-15:00, Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 1:30-15:00 and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 17:30-19:00. Play tickets will open to Year 4 parents on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm. Booking will open to all other parents on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 4pm. Please note any tickets booked outside of these dates and times will be removed.

Reception children will be performing the Nativity at St Peter's Church for their Christmas performance. For this performance YR parents will be able to access the online booking system from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 6:00pm. These will be limited to two tickets per family due to restricted numbers in the church.

### **Occasional day**

Just a reminder that we have an occasional day in line with other local schools on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December** and therefore school will close and you can enjoy a long weekend.

### **Gentle reminder**

Please may we remind our families that we are a non-smoking site and this includes vapes. We ask that you do not smoke or vape on or outside the school site. Thank you for your cooperation.

Best wishes

Adele McMurrough  
Headteacher

