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Dear Parents/Carers,

In this week's newsletter, I have included a calendar of upcoming events for the rest of this term.

With infection rates in our local area being high and Covid - as well as other illnesses - spreading through schools, many are struggling to remain fully staffed and the attendance of pupils is fluctuating. As a result, some restrictions are likely to be introduced between now and the end of term as we take advice from our Public Health Team and refer to our Outbreak Management Plan.

Local schools are being advised against accommodating large gatherings and it would be unwise to ignore this in the run up to Christmas. For that reason, I am unable to say exactly what form certain planned events will take and it may be necessary to adapt, postpone or cancel these at short notice.

As we are minimising the mixing of large groups, please see below a list of current thinking:

- The Yew Tree and Elm Class plays will be recorded and shared with parents.
- The Carol Service may be held in Barrow Church, otherwise it could be outdoors or recorded.
- The Christmas Craft Fayre will be organised for staff and children only.
- Older and younger pupils will attend Christmas parties in staggered groups.
- Classes will sit together in the hall on Christmas Lunch Day.

14/11/2021	Remembrance Service	School council to meet in Broseley memorial garden
15/11/2021	National Child Measurement Programme	For Yew Tree and Y6 pupils
19/11/2021	Pudsey Day	Children wear their own choice of clothes or fancy-dress and make a donation to Children in Need. Related activities will take place in school.
24/11/2021	Oak Class Visit to Shrewsbury School	As part of their learning in Science and English, pupils will learn more about the life of Charles Darwin and his theories of Evolution
25/11/2021	Friends of Barrow AGM –	Details have already been emailed to parents/carers and can be read at the end of this newsletter.

06/12/2021	Flu Vaccines	All pupils – please return forms if you haven't already done so.
08/12/2021	Christmas Lunch Day	This will be another big day with children taking part in Christmas activities and crafts. They will enjoy a celebratory lunch with crackers and carols. Children can wear their own clothes.
10/12/2021	Christmas Craft Fayre	This will take place in the school day. Information to follow.
	Christmas Jumper Day	It is Christmas Jumper Day. Children wear their Christmas jumpers and donate to Save the Children.
14/12/2021	KS1 & KS2 Christmas Parties – refreshments and a visit to see Santa.	Yew and Elm classes: 13:30 – 15:15 Ash and Oak classes 15:30 – 17:15 Yew and Elm children to arrive in party clothes; Ash and Oak pupils to bring party clothes to change into. There will be a disco, a visit to see Santa and refreshments.
15/12/2021	Barrow Carol Service	
16/12/2021	Yew Tree Class Panto Visit	

As a reminder for parents/carers of Yew Tree and Y6 pupils, please inform the office, by the end of tomorrow if you DO NOT wish your child to take part in National Child Measurement Programme will take place on Monday. If you do not let us know, your child will be included in the data collection.

The BBC Children in Need donations page has now been published. Please see below the link to make Children In Need donations to Parentpay. You will need to click on this to donate online:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=4805>

Please see the attached letter and flyer from Andy and Emma, the parents of two of our pupils, who kindly donated a lovely Christmas tree to school last year and are doing so again this year. We are very grateful.

We will keep you updated regarding events and any changes that may occur as the term progresses.

Yours sincerely,

Sian Stephenson

(Headteacher)

Dear Parents, Carers and all 'Friends of Barrow',

We would like to invite you to attend our AGM on the 25th November here at school where you'll hear a summary of our activities and performance over the last 12 months, our EGM which we held during locking and invite you to join us as an elected member of the Friends of Barrow Committee to help relaunch our charity registered PTA group.

If you're an enthusiastic, passionate and resourceful individual or group that would like to take this forward and help the school hosting events to raise money and bring all the parents and carers together for a sense of community that we had before the pandemic, we'd love you to step forward and be part of something special. As outgoing Chair, I'll happily work with the new candidates to help hand over and share our history, as I know other past members will also support.

If you'd like to know more about the role or others, please contact me on christiantoon@gmail.com.

Kind Regards,

Christian, Chair (Friends of Barrow) and all the Committee members.