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Dear families, parents and carers

Staffing – John Trickett is leaving us at Christmas after being in the school for almost 5 years. He has contributed much to our provision for more complex pupils and early years. We are sorry to lose him and wish him well. We have appointed two full time teachers Alex Stark for Upper One and he will start as soon as possible in the new year. We also have Jenny Dawson a newly qualified teacher who will cover in Orange class starting in January till we know when Yvette will return. We also have appointed Vicki Proctor 2 days a week to cover on supply and all will support high quality teaching.

Pantomime – Such a brilliant production and I think the students and the ‘support’ team have excelled themselves this year. Personally I loved going back to the 80’s! The whole of upper school staff have worked so hard on the backdrop, scenery and costumes, with Pam and Chris Rowse for coming back after retirement to help. Jeff for creating a brilliant script for the students to develop and work from. Just a joy to watch. Thanks for a great start to Christmas.

Nativity – Well what can I say? Such a delight to see so many of our youngest learners really joining in and having fun. Such a range of brilliant ideas from our favourite films. Loved the fairy solo dance, the singing, dancing, costumes and cute factor of the traditional nativity. Again, thanks to all of lower school for their hard work. Thanks to Spacie for all the technical help on both productions.

New school logo – We have decided on the new school logo and we have adapted the most popular one and have added ‘wheel chair user and friends’ to reflect our school. Blue seemed to be the most popular colour for the t-shirts and we hope to have examples to show you soon.

Support with the education and health care plan (EHCP) – some of our students are due to transfer from a statement to an EHCP which means re-writing the statement and getting information from health and social care. Beth Green who was a teaching assistant here is part of the support process. She works for Doncaster SAIDSEND and is an independent supporter for parents. Her contact is bethany.green@coreassets.com or you can call her on 07587669592. She can help with understanding the process, being a contact and offer support in meetings along with helping you to add to the plan. If you want any more information contact her directly.

Dates for your diary

December	January	February
Mon 12 th 10:00 Christmas Coffee morning Tues 13 th Upper school disco Fri 16 th Proud Assembly 2:15 note earlier time	Tues 3 rd January back to school for us all. Friday 20 th friendship day. Proud assembly Fri 20 th 2:30.	Whirlow Farm residential 6 th to 10 th Feb. My futures night Thursday 9 th 5-8PM. Parent and carers meetings Tues 14 th for upper school students and Wed 15 th for lower school pupils. Proud assembly Thurs 16 th 2:30 Week beginning 27 th Feb is ‘Literacy Week’ with the theme of story-telling.



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If the child is in immediate danger contact the police on 999 (in an emergency);

If the child is not in immediate danger then contact Rotherham Children's Social Care Services to report your concerns. Call the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) on 01709 336080;

If the child is not in immediate danger but you believe a crime may have been committed then call the Police on 101.