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Dear Parents/Carers,

With two weeks of term left to go, it is lovely to see Barrow 1618 beginning to twinkle with the excitement of the children – and staff!

Our wishes came true over the weekend and today we will decorate two beautiful Christmas trees – one for inside and one for out - that have been kindly donated by Barrow families. On behalf of us all, a huge thank-you to the Biddle/Prendergast family and the Rheads.

Thanks to so many of you for your generosity in giving to the Food Bank Appeal. The response has been absolutely amazing. Thanks also to Mrs Adams for organising the appeal. The box will be at the gate until Wednesday before the goods are delivered to the food bank at the end of the week.

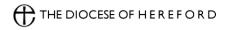
It is such a shame that we cannot invite visitors into school this year to enjoy some of the traditional Barrow festivities. We will, however, do our best to include everyone by uploading photos to our website and/or Seesaw and providing you with a link to the videos of the performances: carols sung in groups by each class, The Elm Class Christmas Show and the Yew Tree Class Nativity.

We have been keen to ensure that consent/permissions have been updated so that we know which children can and cannot be involved in having their photographs taken for the website and be filmed taking part in their class contributions to the Christmas performances. Thank you for your co-operation – I know that the office and teachers have worked hard to ensure that we have been correctly informed. However, if you believe this not to be the case, please contact the school office ASAP. If we have not had permission, your child will not be included in visual recordings of the Christmas performances.

Last week, we were the lucky recipients of twenty fabulous new laptops that were given to the school by Pinsent Masons, organised by Christian Toon, our IT Link Governor and parent. We are overwhelmed by this generosity and thank them on behalf of the whole school community, especially the children who will benefit from having new high-spec equipment to use in their lessons.

Here is a quick reminder about events due to take place this week:

Wednesday 9th December – Christmas lunch and party day: children wear their own clothes and party hats.



















Friday 11th December – Christmas Jumper Day/Santa Dash: pupils wear festive jumpers and bring a change of footwear, suitable for running, that can get wet. They could bring in £1 for Save the Children, unless donating on-line.

Lunchtime football will go ahead as usual on Thursday for Ash and Oak pupils who wish to take part, weather permitting.

As we are motoring towards the end of term, we keep our fingers-crossed that we all remain well and the school continues to be open for all pupils. Thank you for keeping your children at home if they are ill. It really has made a difference.

Yours sincerely,

Sian Stephenson

(Headteacher)

