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Dear parents and carers,

Thanks so much for this term, all your support is very much appreciated. We have had a busy term. KS2 have had a great Spanish day and residential for year 5 and 6 was a great success. We have been visited by heads from New Zealand, who were very impressed with your children. Many classes completed some carbon monoxide workshops, and we hope you have your sensors in place if you got one. We had a very successful harvest festival and supported the poppy appeal. The antibullying workshops were great and hopefully the children can apply what they learned into their everyday lives.

The lantern parade was so lovely, and it always makes us feel happy to see all our families joining in.

It was amazing to see so many of you for the bonfire/Christmas craft mornings and as always, the Christmas concerts and nativity were really well attended. I hope you agree they were fabulous.

Thank you to the PTA for helping raise funds for your children. Over the term we have raised about £2000. This money goes to support the trips your children go on and make them more affordable.

Remember that all the calendar dates were sent out in September and are also on the website. We do send reminders out before events but if you haven't updated the App or updated your details then you may miss out on things.

In the New Year we will be transitioning to a new MIS system Arbor, as Scholarpack will no longer exist. Please look out for details week commencing 12th January explaining how to log on to the new Parentapp. Please support us by logging on to the new app by the end of January 2026 so communications between school and home run smoothly.

From 5th January we will not be refunding bookings made and then not attended at breakfast club or homework club especially the 4-5pm slot. Any child not picked up by 5pm incurs a late charge of £20 pounds to cover the extra staff.

A reminder that any outstanding dinner money needs to be paid, and we will ask parents to bring sandwiches once it reaches £50 as school has to pay for this out of our own funds.

We had so much lost property this term please label everything so items can be returned to their owner. If it has no name in it, it is incredibly difficult to get your items back to you.

And lastly parking!!

It is a constant problem down at the bottom of the drive. Please park with consideration, stay off the zigzags and the double yellows. We do not want a child hit by a car as this could potentially happen. If you see any cars illegally parked, please photograph them and send it into Mansfield district council who are in charge of the highways: **To report parking offences, you can call the common hotline 1800 338 6622. You can also submit a report against the offending vehicles.**

****New****

Monday 19th January we are having a company in called 2 Johns. They work with schools around internet safety and cyber security. There is a parent's workshop that morning about keeping your child safe online with loads of great hints and tips, 9am-10.30am. They will then work with the children, and we finish off the day with staff training. **Because of the importance of this training there will be no homework club/after school provision on this day as it involves all staff.**

There is also no homework club on Monday 23rd February due to safeguarding training which again involves the whole school.

World book day is the 5th March, this is a heads up so you can start making your costumes (or ordering them!).

The rest of the term's dates are all on our website at www.churchvale.notts.sch.uk on the calendar page.

Have an amazing Christmas and New Year - remember that your children tell us about the time they spend with family and not just about the things you bought them. Have a fun time and we will see you back on the 5th January.

Mrs Yardley and all the Church Vale Staff

