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Dear Parent/Carer,

Thankfully, the weather today has been good (for the time of year) so that Class 4 could walk over to Huncote to compare the two villages as part of geography. At the same time, they are taking the opportunity to read to residents of Alexandra House. Well done all.

The School Council have been busy planning their Children In Need events for Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November. A separate letter with full details has gone out today from the School Council. Here are the highlights:

- Children can wear their own clothes for a £1 donation.
- A craft table will be set up at lunchtime, to make crafts for 50p.
- Please bring any spare change for our collection box.
- A toy and book sale in school time. Toys and books will cost £1, 50p or 20p. If you have any donations
  of any small-unwanted toys or books, please bring them in by Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November.

Some of the children from class 4 will be helping at the chapel's Light Lunches on Tuesday. The children taking part will need a packed lunch.

Look out for all the exciting things that class 4 will be making to sell as part of their enterprise month. Please ensure you give them encouragement by buying their items. Remember all money raised is going to charity.

Advance notice – Reception will be having a parents/carers craft morning with Little Gems joining us on 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Each child can bring one adult with them to join in the fun from 9am to 11am. If parents cannot make it – an alternative adult could be a grandma or granddad.

We are excited to let you know that we have booked an ice skating trip for the whole school as our end of year celebration! The trip will take place in school time on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December. The cost of this trip will be fully funded by our Sports Grant. Further details, and information of what the children will need to bring will be shared with you soon.

Reminders - The filled shoeboxes for the Shoebox appeal need returning to school by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November. I trust that all the boxes that have been taken are being nicely filled. Let's see if we can fill more boxes than in previous years.

Christmas Dinner - We need to know final numbers by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November for the kitchen. Please can children in <u>Class 3 and Class 4</u> please return the slip and payment of £2.75 by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November. (If you have regular meals on Thursdays and have already paid for them you will not need to send in an additional payment) but please do return the slip.

Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. (Matthew chapter 7 verse 24, NIV)

PTFA Notice – Village Hall Disco on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November – KS1 5pm to 6pm: KS2 6:30pm to 7:30pm. Please ask members of the PTFA for details.

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Yours sincerely

Gavin Beetham

## Provisional Dates for your Diary

November – Class 4 Enterprise
Month

03-12-25 – Reception Christmas
Crafts (including parents)

08-12-25 – KS2 Pantomime

10-12-25 – Nativity

11-12-25 – Nativity

15-12-25 – Whole School Ice
Skating

16-12-25 – KS1 Party

18-12-25 – Christmas Dinner?

19-12-25 – Carol Service

Christmas Holiday – 20<sup>th</sup>
December to 4<sup>th</sup> January
Half Term – 14<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>
February 2026
23-02-26 – Parents Eve
26-02-26 – Parents Eve
2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> March – Book Week
27-03-26 – Easter Service
Easter Holiday – 28<sup>th</sup> March to
12<sup>th</sup> April 2026
04-05-26 – Bank Holiday
11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> May – KS2 SATs

Half Term – 23<sup>rd</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May 18-12-26 – KS2 Trips 23-06-26 – KS2 Production 24-06-26 – KS2 Production 26-06-26 – Sports Day 29-06-26 – KS1 Trips 30-06-26 – Leavers Assembly and Tea Summer Holiday – 8<sup>th</sup> July to 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2026