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Dear Parent,

Children in Need

Thank you very much for all your support last Friday. We had a great day and managed to raise £307.54 which I'm sure you will agree was fantastic! I would also like to say a big thank you to Mrs Blakey who made the Pudsey cake – we made £88.00 on the raffle alone. The lucky winner was Liam Telford in Year 1.

“Watch Me Learn” sessions

The following “Watch Me Learn” sessions will take place next week. All parents and carers are welcome to come into school any time from 1.00 pm (infant classes) or 1.15 pm (junior classes) onwards to work alongside their children for the afternoon. For details of sessions please see below:

Reception	Monday 24th November	1.00 pm onwards
Year 4	Tuesday 25th November	1.15 pm onwards
Year 3	Wednesday 26th November	1.15 pm onwards

Howtown Residential Trip

Not long now before we are off to Howtown! Please arrive at the normal time for school on Monday. Parents can stay to wave off their children if they wish (the bus is arriving at 9.30 am and will leave at 10.00 am) Please can parents make sure they bring any medication clearly labelled with them on Monday morning and give it straight to one of the accompanying staff? All spending money up to the value of £10.00 must be kept in a named purse and also must be handed to staff for safe keeping. Children may bring disposable cameras only – please do not bring any valuable items such as digital cameras, iPods etc.

Year 2 Trip to Tesco

Year 2 will be visiting the Tesco store in Consett on the morning of Thursday 27th November as part of the “Farm to Fork” project. The coach will leave at approximately 9.30 am and the children will be back in time for lunch.

Family Bingo Night

The Friends of Burnside are holding a Family Bingo Night on Tuesday 2nd December from 5.00 pm – 6.30 pm. Tickets are available from school.

Visit to the Pantomime

As a special treat we will be taking the whole school (with the exception of Nursery) to the pantomime, Aladdin, at Consett Empire at 10.00a.m. on the morning of Friday 12th December. We will serve a late lunch when we return to school. There will be no charge for this trip – it is a treat for the children to thank them for their good behaviour and hard work this term!

Dates for this Half Term:

Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 10th December

Christmas Fair

Wednesday 10th December 3.30 pm

Key Stage 2 performances:

Tuesday 9th December 2.00 pm

Thursday 11th December 2.00 pm

Please note – children from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be performing in the Christmas Production this year. Tickets for both performances will be available from Monday 1st December.

Christmas Parties

Monday 15 th December	1.15 pm - 3.15 pm	FSU party
Tuesday 16 th December	1.15 pm - 3.15 pm	Year 1 and 2 party
Wednesday 17 th December	1.15 pm - 3.45 pm	Year 3 and 4 party
Thursday 18 th December	1.15 pm - 4.00 pm	Year 5 and 6 party

Christmas Fair

Our Christmas Fair this year will be held on Wednesday 10th December from 3.30pm onwards. Stalls will include: tombola, chocolate tombola, bottle tombola, cake stall, craft stall and tuck shop as well as guess the weight of the cake and guess the name of the teddy. The children will also be able to visit Santa and there will be refreshments, including pizza slices, hot dogs, crisps, juice, tea and coffee, on sale upstairs in the foundation Stage Unit.

To help us collect prizes for the tombola we would like to ask each child to bring in a small contribution on Friday 28th November. We will be having a non – uniform day and instead of the usual 50p contribution to school fund, we would like to ask for donations of items of chocolate or bottles of any kind. If you would like to donate any additional prizes for either the raffle, tombola or cake stall we would be very grateful. Raffle tickets will be on sale at school, priced at £1.00 a strip, from Monday 1st December onwards.

Attendance figures for last week:

Overall School Attendance: 93.9%

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
87.7%	93.3%	95.5%	93.8%	98.1%	96.5%	93.8%

Yours sincerely

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