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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to the longest half-term of the year and the most exciting! We all hope you had a good half-term. Our batteries are all re-charged and we are raring to go! We would like to welcome Phoebe, Ari, Dylan and Rosie.

Last term we incorporated some lovely stories, such as We're going on a Bear Hunt, Goldilocks and the Three Bears and Edward's Adventure into visiting the VegVan Community Farm, the woods and the church. We learnt all about Harvest Festival and

Autumn - there are lots of lovely photos in your child's Learning Journey. Vicar Louise came to the farm with us on Monday to talk about Harvest Festival and reminded us to say 'Thank You'. The photographer also came, you should have your photo's now, so please place your orders by 4th November - they make wonderful Christmas presents!

Our Autumn Activity Morning is to be held on Saturday 5th November from 11am to 1pm. It is a great morning with lots of crafts for the children, a raffle, tea and cake and children's lunches. Its £3.50 for children and adults are free! For the morning to work, we do need your donations of tombola and raffle prizes and food for the lunches. We will have a list by the door for food as soon as possible for you to put your name down. Please bring next week or on the morning if you're bringing sandwiches. We would also welcome some lovely cakes to sell, either homemade or shop bought.

On Monday 14th November we will be having our Bags2School collection. They will take clothes, bags, shoes, belts, and bedding but not quilts or pillows. They can be in any bag and will need to be dropped off by 9am.

The adults only Christmas Quiz is on Tuesday 6th of December at 7.30pm. This is fun evening, bring your own team or join up with others. Bring your own drinks, nibbles, mince pies and hot drinks provided. Tickets will be available soon.

We are also hoping to support a Playgroup in Coalville – Two Bees Preschool with nearly new toys for their children. We know a lot of our parents have a clear out at this time of year so we would be grateful if you could bring them in and we will deliver them towards the end of November. We think it is important for our children to know there are children who are not as lucky as they are and who would love to play with toys they no longer need.

Another ask – do you have any old or unwanted Christmas decorations or ornaments? If so, we would love them please!

We realise that this is a very long half term so if you need to pay your invoice in two chunks that is fine - the second payment needs to be by 9th December though please.

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Traditionally we take part in the Crib Service at Belton church. This is on Christmas Eve at 3pm and the preschool children take a role from the nativity. All younger children can come as angels or shepherds. We provide the costumes for the preschool children, and we will send them home just before we break up.

The last day of term is Monday 19th December (this is in lieu of the Queen's Funeral). Holiday Club is on Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st from 8am to 4pm at a cost of £5.15 per hour unless you have banked funding - then £1 per hour. Please let us know your requirements by 18th November.

Sam, Becky, Vanessa, Jo, Kelly, Amanda, Megan and Leah

Dates for your Diary:

- Autumn Activity Morning Saturday 5th November, 11am - 1pm
- Bags to School Monday 14th November
- Christmas Quiz Tuesday 6th December 7.30pm
- Break up Monday 19th December
- Christmas Holiday Club 20th & 21st December
- Spring term starts Tuesday 3rd January 2023

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