

Lockington CE VC Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been a long and busy term! With Christmas just three days away, I would like to thank you all once again for your support and wish you a very happy Christmas and 2024.

Friends of Lockington School

A big thank you to 'The Friends of Lockington School'. Their Christmas Fair in November raised approximately £870 and their Hamper Raffle, £240 – an excellent total! The children's Christmas party on Monday evening, courtesy of the Friends, included a visit from Father Christmas, along with a feast of Christmas party food and party games and a special gift for each child to place under their Christmas tree!

Pupils visited the Parkway Cinema in Beverley last Friday, with a help from the Friends, and were treated to a performance of Pinocchio and an ice-cream!

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thankyou to Mrs Louise Dawson for her many years of amazing service and dedication to the school as Chair of the Friends. Louise has been behind many of the projects that 'put the icing on the cake', helping to finance residential visits, laptops for school, playground equipment, books for our reading scheme – the list is very, very long and her support has been tireless. Louise has decided to move to the role of treasurer, preparing the way for a new Chair and a smooth transition as her youngest child, Ellie, moves closer to Year 6.

I would like to welcome Mrs Leanne Barrett as our new Chair of Friends, who comes with a wealth of ideas, enthusiasm and experience. Leanne has got off to a flying start and we all wish her every success in her new role.

Church School

Our Christingle Service on Tuesday was a magical experience, with Christingles beautifully lighting the church. Thank you for your support in helping to create a wonderful occasion – including the provision of oranges! Thank you also to Reverend Richard from St. Michael's Church, Cherry Burton, for making this such an enjoyable occasion.

Christmas Production

The children's performance of 'Straw and Order' was attended by an audience of almost a hundred parents, carers, friends and families on Thursday evening last week and almost as many on the Tuesday afternoon. It was a great success, receiving wonderful comments from those who were able to attend. I would like to congratulate all involved – the singing was of a high standard and the acting was very entertaining - the children learnt their lines beautifully! Well done to all involved: children, families, staff and especially teachers, who always go the extra mile. A powerful message of peace and good will was strongly delivered by our children.

















On Thursday morning the children attended the Village Hall, at the invitation of the church wardens, to sing carols and songs from the Christmas production to members of the community at their coffee morning. They sang beautifully and were great ambassadors for the school.

Reindeer Run

The total is in: an amazing £560 was raised for Dove House Hospice by the sponsored Rudolph Run earlier this month. Well done everyone.

Christmas Concert

Pupils and staff enjoyed Christmas songs and carols performed by the Schools' Music Service on Wednesday – a great opportunity to see live music performed by professional musicians in our own school.

Attendance and Punctuality

Congratulations to pupils who achieved 100% attendance this term. Your support in continuing to ensure good attendance and punctuality is very much appreciated. Our target for the whole school is 97%.

Congratulations to the child who will win a £10 book token for 100% attendance in our prize draw this afternoon.

Dates for Next Term

Tuesday 9th January Pupils return to school

Monday 15th January Friends of Lockington School Non-Uniform Day (in return for donations of

chocolate)

Tuesday 16th January SATS meeting for Year 6 parents (middle room with Mrs Cattle)

Thursday 18th January 6-7.30pm Friends of Lockington School Chocolate Bingo

Tuesday 30th January Phonics meeting for parents of pupils in Class 1 (classroom 1 with Miss Peacock)

Friday 2nd February Year 6 Growing Up Talk (details to follow).

Friday 9th February Last day of half term.

I would like to wish you a very happy and safe Christmas as we look forward to a happy and safe 2024.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Julie Cattle

Headteacher

