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Dear Parents and Carers,

End of Term Newsletter – Autumn Term

As we approach the end of a busy and exciting autumn term, we'd like to share some important updates and festive dates for your diary.

Attendance - well done Old Leake Primary Academy and thank you!

This term our overall attendance is 95%! This is great – thank you all for your efforts and we look forward to making this even better next term.

Miss Dawsons class is the winning class for attendance this term with a fabulous 96%! Regular attendance is vital to your child's progress, and every school day truly does count. If your child is unwell or unable to attend school, please contact the office at the earliest opportunity so that we can record their absence appropriately. I have also attached to this newsletter a copy of our school attendance letter which gives information about attendance and holidays.

Remembrance Day – 11th November

Poppies are currently on sale in school. The Y6 children will be taking the items around each classroom every afternoon for children to purchase. On **Tuesday 11th November**, our **Year 5 and Year 6** pupils will be walking to the **cenotaph** to lay a wreath on behalf of the academy and observe the two-minute silence alongside members of the **British Legion**. This is a meaningful opportunity for our children to reflect and show respect.

Next term date reminders:

- **November 14th Spotty Day.** Please send in a toiletry donation for Haven.
- **December 11th Christmas jumper day.** Please send a toiletries or Christmas chocolate donation for Haven.

Christmas Events – Save the Dates!

We're looking forward to celebrating the festive season with a range of activities:

- **Tuesday 16th December (afternoon) – Christmas Craft Afternoon** for **Nursery and Reception** parents. Come and enjoy an afternoon of crafting and mince-pie fun with your child!
- **Wednesday 17th December – Santa Breakfast** for **Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2**. A magical morning awaits!
- **Thursday 18th December (afternoon) – Christmas Church Service** for **Years 1 to 6**. Parents welcome – please come and celebrate with us!



- **Friday 19th December** – *Christmas Parties* for **all classes**. Children may wear festive or party clothing if they wish.

🎵 *Christmas Choir* – Dates will be shared once we've confirmed our venues. If you know of any local places that would like to host our choir, please do let us know!

PTFA – We Need You!

Our **PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association)** is in urgent need of new members. Stef and the team have some fantastic events planned, but they need your help to make them happen! If you're interested in joining or would like more information, please email Stef via the school office.

Gold Book Assembly

We have a little change to our gold book assembly on Friday afternoons for children in Year 1-6. From now on children will receive a Headteacher's Award sticker for being in the gold book instead of the printed certificate.

Parents Evening

Parents evenings are taking place on the first week we return in November.

For children in Nursery it is on the **Wednesday 12th November from 3.30pm – 6.00pm**. For children in Reception to Y6 it is on **Tuesday 11th November & Wednesday 12th November from 3.30pm – 6.00pm**. Booking of appointments will be made online. If you haven't already booked a place, please use the link below to create your appointment with your child's class teacher. Please don't forget to complete your details and your child's name.

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/ParentsEvening5@voyage-education.org/bookings/s/Tm3WqWERkEKil5vTQfnlQ2>

There will be NO extra-curricular clubs on the first week back w/c 10th November. However, after school care will be running until 6pm as usual.

Thank you for your continued support throughout the term. We look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming events and wish you all a great half term.

Warm regards,

Miss Hardwick

Headteacher