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Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you so much for the incredible way in which you have supported your children during these festive weeks. It has been really lovely to see so many of you at our Christmas productions, the fair and Carols by Candlelight. Thank you to the small but perfectly formed group of Friends of Fishergate who planned and executed a flawless Christmas Fair and organised the Christmas shop for the children. I would also like to single out Harriet Champness for putting together a beautiful Carols by Candlelight celebration.

Would any of you be interested in running a lunchtime or after school club? We would especially like one in KS1 as we currently don't have any. If you feel that you have a particular skill to offer then please could you have a chat with Dave Pennington. We would need you to be DBSed but would arrange all of that for you.

We are currently looking for a relief MSA. If you are interested please come and get more details from Helen Deighton in the school office.

Thank you to all of you who have made an effort to improve your child's attendance since we contacted you to let you know that it was a concern. Good attendance and punctuality is vitally important if your child is going to reach their potential in school. 90% attendance is the same as a child having a day away from school every fortnight and 80% amounts to a day off a week. You don't need me to tell you how much learning is lost. Generally in school, the children with the poorest attendance have some of the lowest attainment. As many of our interventions run at the beginning of the school day children who are routinely late will also miss this valuable support. If you want to give your child the best future possible you must get them into school.

I hope that you and your families have a lovely Christmas break and look forward to seeing you all back at school on Wednesday 4th January.

Happy Christmas,
Tina Clarke

