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Dear Parents,

### Ofsted inspection

Thank you for all your support and positive feedback during our recent Ofsted inspection. We expect the full report soon and will share it with you in due course.

### Sharing Learning Session

On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November we will host a Sharing Learning Session from 2:45pm. This is an opportunity for you to sit down with your child and share the learning in their books.

### Poppy Appeal

Our poppy appeal will begin this week to support the Royal British Legion. Poppy merchandise is available from the school office for a donation of £1.00 until Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November. All of the children have been involved in creating poppy wreaths which will be displayed at Eshott Airfield by the Spitfire installation. Our school council will represent the school and attend the Swarland memorial service on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November. They will lay their class wreaths at this event.

### Children In Need

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November, we will be raising money for Children In Need. Children may come to school in something spotty or wear Pudsey garments, or their own clothes for a small donation. We also still have Pudsey items to purchase for £1.00 such as wristbands and pin badges from the school office.

### Anti-Bullying Week

The week commencing the 11<sup>th</sup> November is national Anti-Bullying Week. Classes will be addressing strategies to prevent bullying and promote healthy relationships and celebrating differences and uniqueness.

### Car Parking



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Concerns have been raised that some users of the car park are not reverse parking or parking respectfully for others, causing hazardous situations for children in the car park and at times blocking the entrance and parked cars in. Please could all users park considerately. Additionally, please could parents refrain from bringing caravans, trailers or other large vehicles into the car park - it is not large enough for these types of vehicles to turn around safely.

### Home School Association

The Home School Association kindly request donations for our Christmas Fair raffle and tombola please. Bottles, toiletries, sweets, gifts etc can be dropped off at school. The Christmas Fair will take place at Longframlington Village Hall on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December from 10-12pm.

### Responsibilities of staff and parents for safeguarding and behaviour in the yard

The playground can be a very busy place before and after school with drop-offs and pick-ups. All children of primary school age should be accompanied by an adult until doors open at 8:45am. Please be aware that the safety and behaviour of children on the school premises in the yard is the parent's responsibility until 8:45am when the school doors open and after 3:15pm once a child has been handed over to an authorised adult. The school encourages the same high expectations of behaviour and safety whilst on the school premises at any time of the day.

### Character Education

This year we are focussing on further developing our Character Education - a set of values to help guide children's social, moral, spiritual behaviour and conduct. The values link to our ethos, learning behaviours and rules- respect, perseverance, resilience, integrity, compassion, community awareness and resourcefulness.

### White Ribbon Day - Kindness starts with me

We are letting you know that we will be talking about White Ribbon Day at school. We will be undertaking activities that look at creating gender equality and challenging gender stereotypes. White Ribbon is a global movement working towards ending violence against women by engaging with men and boys. You can find out more about White Ribbon UK here [www.whiteribbon.org.uk](http://www.whiteribbon.org.uk).



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### Dates For Diaries

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November - School reopens after half-term

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November - Year 3/4 Skipping Gala

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November - Children In Need - non-school uniform - £1.00 suggested donation

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November - Anti-Bullying Day workshops

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November - Reception vision screening checks

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November - White Ribbon Day

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November - Shared Learning session for parents

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November - Christmas Jumper exchange in the yard

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Jumper Day and Santa Dash

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Fair @ Longframlington Village Hall, 10-12pm

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Performance 1:30pm - Reception/KS1 parents

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Performance 9:30am - KS2 parents

