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Dear Parent/Carers,

The term is flying by with lots of fantastic things happening in school recently. I'm sure your children are telling you about the great learning that is happening and I would like to tell you a little bit more what else has been happening or is upcoming this term.

Ivingswood Values

Last Wednesday we launch the new Ivingswood school values. These were decided after consulting with staff, governors and pupils about what they felt made a good learning experience. As we continue our journey of school improvement, it is important that everyone in our community knows what is important to us. These values will permeate all aspects of school life and I'm sure that you soon hear the children talking about them at home. This term they will be the focus for our celebration certificates and many of our assemblies.

The Ivingswood Values are:

Respect: respect for ourselves, each other and our belongings.

Aspire: aiming high and challenging ourselves to be our best.

Integrity: acting honestly, making the right choices even when they are not the easiest choice.

Nurture: taking care of each other, being kind and a good friend.

Golden Attendance Week

Thank you to all parents and children who made an extra effort to be at school on time every day this week. Well done to our Reception who were all on time on Monday, Year 1 who were all on time on Wednesday and to Abdullah in Year 6 and Iman from Year 3 who won the prize draw for being at school on Tuesday and Thursday. Our winner of the 100% at school and on time attendance prize for the week was Scarlett from Reception. Well done to all our pupils who received their 100% attendance for the week. We will be awarding a weekly attendance trophy every week to the class with the

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highest attendance so please make sure your child continues to be at school on time every day.

School Photographs

This Tuesday, 20th November, is school photo day. Pupils will be photographed individually and in sibling groups.

Non Uniform and Sponsored Run

As you will remember, we recently had a non-uniform day and a sponsored mile run to raise money for Diabetes UK and I am delighted to tell you that you helped to raise over £1100 which will be donated to the charity. I would like to thank Jodie Stanley for suggesting the fundraisers.

Class Assemblies

This week saw the first of our class assemblies with Year 6 sharing their learning about World War Two. A big well done and thank you to Year 6, Mrs Flynn and Miss Jenkins for their efforts. Next Friday, 23rd November is the turn of Year 2 and we look forward to welcoming parents, carers and other family members to the assembly at 2.30pm.

Parent Pay

I am aware that there are some inconsistencies with the school lunch menu that AIP provide and the options available each day on Parent Pay. We are working hard to resolve this and hope to that the right menu available within the next few days. We are sorry for the confusion this is causing.

Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch will be held on Tuesday 11th December. You can now sign your child up for lunch via ParentPay.

Christmas Fayre

The PTA Christmas Fayre will be held on Friday 7th December. The attached flyer has some more information of ways that you can help to support the event. Our small PTA team are working hard to make the events exciting for the children and to raise funds to enhance school life: please do support them in as many ways as you can. They particularly need people to help with the organisation of the Fayre. Without your help, it will be difficult for the Fayre to run smoothly.

Pantomime

This week you will have received a letter with detail of the Pantomime trip. We are very fortunate that the PTA have offered to subsidise the trip, which is only possible through the success of the events they run. Payment can be made via ParentPay but please return the permission slip to school.

Key Dates

Tuesday 20th November – Individual and Sibling photographs.

Friday 23rd November – Year 2 Class Assembly 2.30pm in the school hall

Monday 3rd December – Decorating the Tree assembly More details to follow shortly

Friday 7th December – Christmas Fayre Please see the attached flyer for more information

Tuesday 11th December – Christmas Lunch

Thursday 13th December – Pantomime trip

Have an enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Julie-Ann Swaysland

Headteacher