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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of the Autumn Term, I wanted to give an update on some of the things that have been happening in school this last half term.



In the last few weeks, many of you will have come to the school to see the Christmas performances by the children. I am so proud of how brilliantly they all performed, from Reception up to Year 6. I am sure whichever performance you saw it helped put you in the festive mood. A highlight for me was the incredible singing by our KS2 children and thanks must go to Mrs Disney for her work with the school choir each week and with the other children in the rehearsals leading up to the performances.

The choir have been very busy this month, appearing at the Steyning Christmas shopping afternoon, the Christmas fair and visiting Valerie Manor Care Home to perform Christmas songs to some of the residents.

Our sports teams have competed in more events than ever this term, including cross country running, football, stoolball and netball, and have acquitted themselves well every single time. Mr Marsh and Mr Long have been very impressed with how the children have supported and encouraged each other. Most recently, our netball team showed fantastic progress and won their first ever game, despite having to play as a four rather than a five.

A heartfelt thank you to those parents who have acted upon my messages regarding safe parking at drop off and pick up times. Unfortunately, there are still a number who stop their car on the zigzag lines outside school or park on the yellow lines. I would ask them again not to risk a child's health or life for the sake of a small amount of time saved. I am working closely with West Sussex County Council to ensure that traffic wardens visit us more frequently in order to help keep all the children safe.

Finally, I would like to give a huge thank you to our FUBs team who have once again done an incredible job of fundraising this term. The Pumpkin Trail was a great success, raising over £800 and giving me the very tricky job of choosing winners from all the brilliant pumpkin entries! The Christmas Fair was another fantastic event organised by FUBS and their hard work raised an incredible £2822! Thank you to the FUBS team and to you all for supporting that event and coming out, despite the awful weather.

Wishing you and your children a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and just a little reminder that school starts again on Monday 5th January 2026.

Mr Andrews

Head Teacher

