

The Dinglewell Post

sharing our news with our community



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Dear Families,

12th December 2025

Attendance for this week: 95.17%

PLEASE REMEMBER WE BREAK UP AT 12:30PM ON FRIDAY 19TH DECEMBER – IT IS ALSO NON-UNIFORM DAY!

This week

This week we enjoyed a fantastic trip to the panto to watch *Jack and the Beanstalk*. The children were thrilled - especially when the flying balls whizzed into the audience! They were wonderfully behaved throughout, a real credit to you all.

On Monday and Tuesday, we shared our festive *Jingle Bells* poems and songs. What a joy it was to see so many parents joining us to support the children — their enthusiasm made the performances even more special.

iRock concert

Our children stormed the spotlight in their iRock concert and what a blast it was! They came together to rock the house down. Every beat hit like thunder, every chorus lit the crowd – pure energy, pure rock!



Disco

A massive thank you to all the staff and parents who volunteered at the disco on Wednesday. As always, a special thank you goes to DJ Rossy for the music and bubbles! All the children looked fantastic in their festive finery, and they certainly seemed to be having lots of fun. ELFridges sold out and we hope everyone is pleased with their extra surprises under the tree. It was so nice to see how thoughtfully the children were choosing their gifts. Twinkle the Elf was a huge hit and even had a chance to boogie with the children. Those pupils who had their photo taken with Twinkle will receive their pictures early next week. Look out in next week's newsletter for the final total raised.

Congratulations go to Ava (4F) and Seth (5Ri) who were the winners of the Lucky Squares. We hope they enjoy their prizes.

Christmas dinner – Wednesday 17th December

We can hardly wait for our scrummy Christmas feast next week! Even if you've packed your lunch, you'll still be joining the merry crowd in the hall — because that is what Christmas is all about!

The canteen will be serving up a gobble-worthy roast turkey or a veggie delight, and to finish, a sweet gingerbread cookie that's sure to make everyone smile.

It's going to be tasty, jolly, and full of cheer — the perfect way to kick off the holiday spirit!

Mini Christmas parties – next week

Party time next week.... a mini celebration with lots of delicious treats! Each year group will have their own magical party time to celebrate together. Please see your child's letter for details.

Year 3 17th December 09:30am-10:20am

Year 4 17th December 2:00pm-3:00pm

Year 5 18th December 1:30pm-2:30pm

Year 6 18th December 09:30am-10:30am

500-word challenge – Congratulations

The winners for the 500-word challenge are: Charlie Year 3, Osian Year 4, Ffion Year 5 and Abigail Year 6.

Thank you to everyone who participated. There was a real range of entries including animals, Greek gods and magic. All entries also receive five house points.

Germs and bugs

As we head into our final week, let's all do our best to keep germs at bay. If children have a sickness bug, they must remain at home for 48 hours after the last episode to prevent it spreading. Colds and coughs are circulating widely, and flu cases are rising across the UK, so extra care is needed. No one wants to be unwell over Christmas, so thank you for helping us protect each other and keep our school healthy!

Term 3 Breakfast and Afterschool club

The office team is busy working their magic on booking requests – great news! Once your spot is confirmed, you'll get a confirmation email, and the payment will pop up on ParentPay.

Quick heads-up: if there's a balance still hanging around, we'll need that sorted before your booking can zoom through.

Thank you so much for your support – we really appreciate it!

A gentle reminder, the deadline for Term 3 forms is Friday 12th December. If you haven't received a confirmation email from the office, this will mean the form has not been handed in.

Childcare voucher payments – Breakfast and Afterschool club

For those of you who pay by childcare vouchers for Breakfast and Afterschool club, please read the below:

- ✓ Bookings are processed onto Parent pay.
- ✓ Please notify us once you have processed your payment by sending the reference number and proof of payment to the wraparound email address.
- ✓ Once the payment has reached the bank, we will credit your ParentPay account accordingly. This may appear unusual, but please note that it is simply an adjustment made to clear the outstanding balance.

Clubs' reminder

Last Drama Production club – **Monday 15th December**. This is the **only** club running.

Dance class is **NOT** running 16th December

Christmas Science STEM challenge

Please see below a link to the Christmas Science STEM challenge, maybe something for the children to do at home to keep them entertained....

<https://www.science-sparks.com/christmas-science-made-simple/>

Guitar lessons with Rich Tuttle

If your children are interested in guitar lessons, Rich Tuttle will be taking bookings for January 2026. Please pick up a form from the office.

Online safety support for neurodivergent children



Online scams like trust trades and fake giveaways can cause harm and upset to all children, but neurodivergent children are at greater risk of falling victim to scams.

Internet Matters have worked with Ambitious about Autism and Roblox to create new resources to help families with neurodivergent children learn and stay safe from scams within games.

There's a guide for parents, a video for children and young people, plus stories for families to read and discuss together to explore the risks, with practical actions for children to take to help stay protected.

Find all the resources [here](#).

Shout out

Congratulations to Liepa and Saule for achieving their super badge award as a St John Ambulance Badger. The super badger award is the highest award a badger can achieve and is an incredible achievement!

Celebration Assembly

Here are this week's Merit Certificate winners – well done everyone!



Forthcoming Diary Dates

Countdown to Christmas

Monday 15th December - Drama production club
Tuesday 16th December - No Swim!
Christmas production matinee and evening performance - ticket event only!
Wednesday 17th December - Christmas lunch/Y3 & Y4 Xmas party (daytime)
Thursday 18th December - Y5 & Y6 Xmas party (daytime)
Friday 19th December - Non uniform with a finish at 12:30 Merry Christmas.

MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!

Monday 5th January - School closed INSET Day
Tuesday 6th January - Back to school
Wednesday 7th January -
Thursday 8th January -
Friday 9th January -

**All relevant school policies are available to view on our website. **

**PLEASE REMEMBER NOT TO PROVIDE NUTS OR ANY NUT DERIVATIVE FOOD
IN SCHOOL DUE TO SEVERE ALLERGIES WITHIN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY**



Correspondence sent out this week:

Swimming letter (Year 4)

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