

# Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to you at the beginning of December, it seems to have crept up on us very quickly! In my visits to Aspire schools, I have heard Carols, seen gingerbread houses being made and of course seen children excited and full of chatter. This really is a lovely time of year in primary schools.

#### Residential 5th -7th December

There have had to be a couple of last minute changes to staffing as Mr. Waters is unwell. The minibus will now be driven by Mrs. Steer and Mrs. Sanchez will be staying overnight at the trip (instead of Mrs. Steer). If you have any last minute questions please contact your school office.

I can be contacted in the case of emergency during the trip on 07599 801236

## **Christmas activities at Aspire**

Each school is organising their own Christmas activities and celebrations. Please make sure you have the latest newsletter from your child, so that they don't miss out. Thank you to the PTAs and staff for organising all the lovely activities.

## **Gifts at Christmas**

The governors have provided some funding to give an extra present to those children whose families are really being stretched in the current cost of living crisis. The leadership team has organised these and we hope the families chosen to receive them will really enjoy them.

#### Cold weather

The next week is forecasted to be cold - around freezing - please make sure children have coats in school. We are happy for children to also have hats, gloves and scarves but please make sure these are named as they tend to be lost easily. If your child is attending the residential please make sure they have plenty of warm clothes.

Wishing you all a cosy winter weekend,

Kind regards, Emma Hickling Executive Headteacher Aspire Federation