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Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you have all enjoyed the half term break, which is already becoming a distant memory as we all settle back into school and work routines and begin to look towards Christmas. This is one of the most exciting terms, with lots of things happening and I am really pleased to join the staff of Irthington School at this time and get involved in all of the glitter, chaos and fun!!!

For those of you who do not already know me I am mum to Harvey in Class 2 and also currently hold the position of joint Vice Chair on the PTA. I am in the office Mondays and Fridays from 8.30am until 3pm and on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8.30am until 12.30pm. Please call into the office if you have any queries or concerns, or you can also contact the office by telephone or email, using the contact details above.

We have a number of events coming up this half term and various dates for your diaries:

- This coming Monday 12 November 2018 is the last day we can accept the Christmas **Shoe Boxes** into school to ensure that we can get them sent off in time.
- On Wednesday 14 November 2018 we have **Tempest Photography** coming into school to take family and individual photographs. If you wish to have any younger siblings, who do not currently attend the school, included in the photographs, please bring them into school for 9am that day.
- Due to staff training on Monday 26 November 2018 there will be no **After School Clubs** running (Mr Bulmer and Miss Simpson's groups). Refunds will be sent out for those children who would usually attend.
- The **Christmas Fair** is being held on Sunday 2 December 2018 from 2-4pm. Thank you to all those who have offered to run stalls, set up and/or tidy up. It is very much appreciated. Rachel Smithson (PTA Chair) will be in contact with you in due course. Further information relating to this event will follow.

Finally, a polite reminder to those who have yet to make payment of monies due in respect of the Christmas gifts and the October Residential instalments. We have just recently paid the outstanding balance for the Residential trip, which is a huge outlay for the school, and therefore would gratefully welcome into school all outstanding payments.

Kind Regards

Lynne Lawson

Admin & Finance Officer