



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you have all had a restful half term break. It is hard to believe we are on the countdown to Christmas already. Please find below some information and reminders for the upcoming weeks:

- Debate Mate Launch The Debate Mate launch morning takes place tomorrow 30th October those children who have signed up on SIMS Agora will be attending the launch event which takes place from 9.30am 11.00am at the University of Manchester. They will be travelling by mini bus, and will return to school in time for lunch and will be accompanied by Mrs Capper. This club will begin next week, we have not yet been informed of the day. I will send out the information as soon as I receive it.
- Christmas Cards Children will be making Christmas cards in school this week and these will be sent home by the end of the week. If you would like to order these cards, please do so online (instructions will come with the card). You must order these online and return the information sheet and attached card back to school before **Friday 9**th **November**. These will then be picked up on the Friday evening by the card company to be published. Unfortunately, we will be unable to accept any late returns.
- Choir children If your child is in our school choir and you would like them to attend the Young Voices concert in February, please give your permission on SIMS Agora. We will be travelling to the MEN on the tram tickets for this are on SIMS Agora. Child and adult t-shirts/parent tickets are also available for purchase on SIMS Agora, these need to be purchased before Friday 2nd November as this is the Young Voices deadline.
- First Holy Communion If your child is in Year 3 and you would like them to make their First Holy
 Communion this year, we must have the completed form and Baptism Certificate by Friday 2nd
 November. The enrollment mass meeting will be on Tuesday 13th November at 3pm (after Year 3's class assembly).
- Attendance As you are aware, attendance is a key priority for our school. As such, we have brought
 back the Friday Ice-Lolly reward for children who have achieved 100% attendance that week. Where
 possible, medical/dental appointments must be made outside of school hours and you must ensure you
 have given school a copy of your appointment card. Unfortunately, medical appointments and time off
 due to illness will be recorded as an absence and affect your child's attendance.

Thank you for your continued support,

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