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Dear Cuddington Parents and Families,

### **Our Final Letter of 2022!**

#### **St Luke's Hospice**

Thank you to everyone who has donated to our 'Elf Run' on Monday. It became an 'Elf Walk' due to the freezing fog and ice, but we raised £279.50 for this very important charity. ☺

#### **Christmas Reflections**

As we break up for our Christmas holiday, I have reflected on 'where we have come from' over this past year. December 2021 was still a time when we couldn't have our family community on site and it just didn't feel the same. COVID 19 was still spreading and children and staff were still having to isolate with the virus.

December 2022 has been a time where we have had Reception and Key Stage 1 parents watching our performances live and speaking with parents made me realise that our Year 2 parents had never watched their child perform live until last week!

It has been fantastic to have so many of you joining us to celebrate Christmas; parents, grandparents, younger siblings, aunts and uncles. Thank you for making our lead up to Christmas so special – you are such an important part of our team.

Equally your generosity with gifts and good wishes for staff really has been appreciated. Thank you for wishing our staff a 'Merry Christmas,' for those of you who have been able to buy gifts and to those of you who have sent such positive emails. It means so much to us all and helps us to know that we are all doing our very best to ensure positive outcomes for your children.

This morning, I spoke with a few Year 6s as we shared that this is their final Christmas at Cuddington – it is soon their time to shift their lens to High School and begin their transition into the next phase of their education. We have an amazing year 6 who will achieve great things.

I have shown around so many parents during this past term (more than I have ever done), as they try to choose a primary school for their child. I don't tell staff and children when I am doing this as it is important that prospective parents see the 'day in and day out' work of our school. Each time without exception, your children and their teachers have simply impressed these parents. Comments such as; 'all the children are so focused, your staff seem so happy, look at the fabulous art work,' all help me to remain so very proud of all that we are achieving together.

January 2023 will soon be here, where staff have already started to plan your child's curriculum for the Spring Term. You will be able to see what they have planned by Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January – look on your child's class page for details. Our INSet day on 3<sup>rd</sup> January will see school staff completing First Aid and Paediatric Training with trust colleagues. School staff will also be completing their statutory safeguarding training with trust colleagues and governors.

I look forward to welcoming you all back on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January at 8.40am (or from 7.30am if your child is in our Enrichment Club)

With all good wishes for a wonderful Christmas and a peaceful new year,

Mrs S Mills

