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Class 3 Catch Up

Dear Parents/ Carers,

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As we approach one of our busiest times of the year just a few reminders and information that you may find useful which are in addition to my Headteacher's Blog and Dates Letter both of which are on the school website.

Saturday 2nd December- Church Fair 2p.m. Singing at 2.30 p.m. Please join us. I would also like the children from Class 3 to help me on the Toy and Book Stall. Volunteers please see me.

Spanish Day – In order to bring a little sunshine back to Whittingham as part of our Spanish topic I would like to have a Spanish Day on Friday 8th December. During this day we will learn about all things Spanish (please don't forget the Spanish information poster is due in soon – see Topic and Homework letters) and I would like the children to dress either in the colours of the Spanish Flag or in a Spanish Style if they wish. Please do not buy items specifically for this.

Planners- All children have a planner. Please ensure it is signed every week. I collect them in every Friday and all children who have their planner signed receive a House point.

Christmas Decorations - I would like the classroom to be as festive as possible if you have any Christmas decorations at home that you no longer need please bring them into school by Monday 4th December. If they like, the children can make decorations at home too.

Make do and Mend - Thank you for the donations of material and buttons for our make do and mend project. If you have some still at home please bring them in as soon as possible.

Spellings – We are nearing the end of our mammoth spelling check. I have been working with Northumberland County Council's Literacy advisor Damian Burke and we will be developing our spelling work over the next weeks and term.

Active Learn - Our maths homework is online. All children have log in details and for anyone who does not have access to the internet they can join me for Homework Club.

School 360 – There are lots of activities children can do on this resource. All children have log in details. First News - We are trialling this until 22nd December and your feedback is useful so we know whether to continue our subscription. The children are really enjoying reading their newspapers and going onto First

World War 2 Day - I have been so impressed by the children's knowledge and enthusiasm towards our History Project and would like to bring the project to a close with another special day on **Thursday 14**th December. We will be baking items from our wartime ration book and be celebrating VE Day by having our own little party! It would be great if we could have a pooled party tea so please could everyone bring a plate of food or item for our buffet? The children are very welcome to dress up in clothes from that era but it is not compulsory. We will be watching the film Good Night Mister Tom which is a PG so if you would prefer your child not to watch it please let me know so I can make alternative arrangements for your child during this time.

On a final note I would like to congratulate the children on their hardworking attitude this half term and I look forward to seeing you all at our Christmas events over the next few weeks.

> Belinda Athey – Class 3 teacher. Kind Regards,

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