



**Dates for your diary.**

**September**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September – After School clubs begin this week

**October**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October – collection of harvest gifts for raffle on Friday

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest assembly and raffle

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 assembly 9.15 am

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November Half term holidays

**November**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – PD day

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Year 6 Remembrance assembly

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November – EYFS playday

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Parent's evening (Not Y6)

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Parent's evening Year 6

**December**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – EYFS /KS1 Christmas play (Children welcome) – 9.30 am

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December - EYFS /KS1 Christmas play (No under 5's thank you) – 9.30 am

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Christmas play (Children welcome) – 9.30 am

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Christmas play (Adults only please– 5.30 pm)

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day

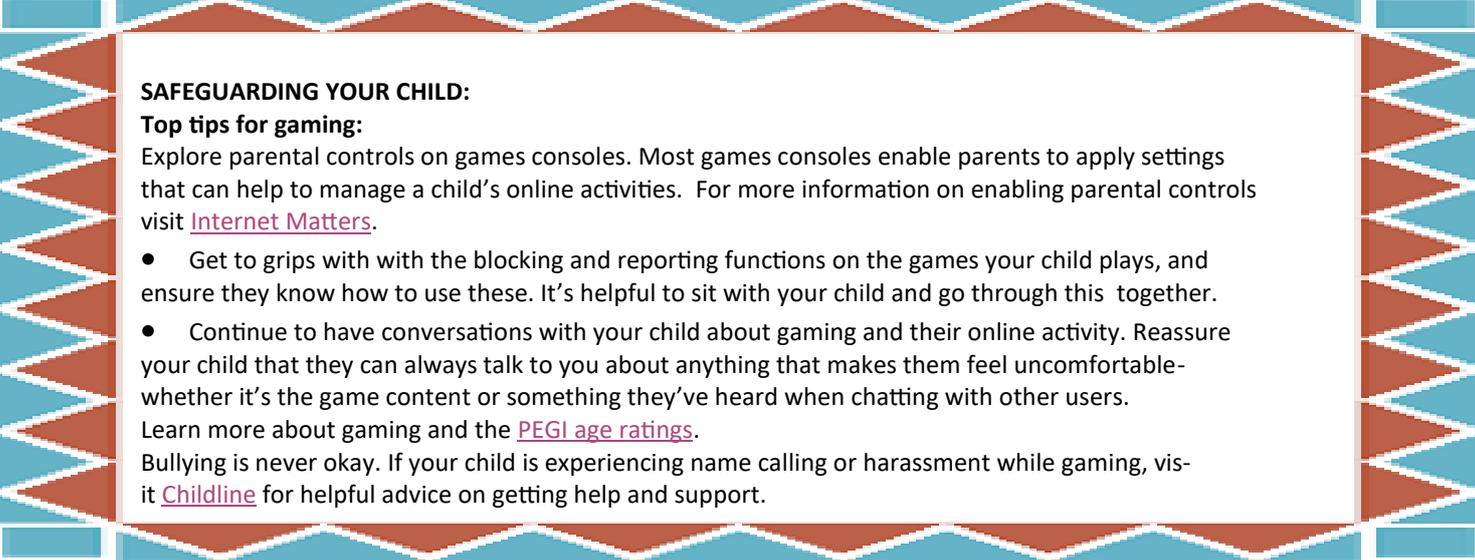
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas disco

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas party week – more details to follow

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Handale's got talent final – 2.00 pm (provisional)

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – 2.00pm Christmas carol service in St Leonard's church - TBC

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December school closed for Christmas Break – return to school Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020



**SAFEGUARDING YOUR CHILD:**

**Top tips for gaming:**

Explore parental controls on games consoles. Most games consoles enable parents to apply settings that can help to manage a child's online activities. For more information on enabling parental controls visit [Internet Matters](#).

- Get to grips with the blocking and reporting functions on the games your child plays, and ensure they know how to use these. It's helpful to sit with your child and go through this together.
- Continue to have conversations with your child about gaming and their online activity. Reassure your child that they can always talk to you about anything that makes them feel uncomfortable- whether it's the game content or something they've heard when chatting with other users.

Learn more about gaming and the [PEGI age ratings](#).

Bullying is never okay. If your child is experiencing name calling or harassment while gaming, visit [Childline](#) for helpful advice on getting help and support.



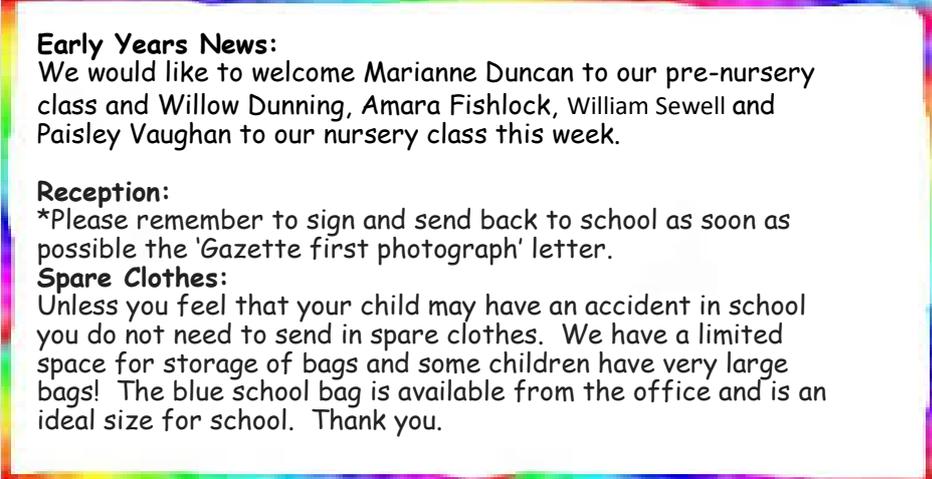
**Dexter Broom**

**Rowan Ashton - McGrath**

**Mercedes Mitchell**

**William Berry**

**Toby Sayers**



**Early Years News:**

We would like to welcome Marianne Duncan to our pre-nursery class and Willow Dunning, Amara Fishlock, William Sewell and Paisley Vaughan to our nursery class this week.

**Reception:**

\*Please remember to sign and send back to school as soon as possible the 'Gazette first photograph' letter.

**Spare Clothes:**

Unless you feel that your child may have an accident in school you do not need to send in spare clothes. We have a limited space for storage of bags and some children have very large bags! The blue school bag is available from the office and is an ideal size for school. Thank you.





# Hot News From Handale

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Friday 6th September 2019

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## WELCOME BACK

Welcome back and I hope you had a lovely summer. We are celebrating very good results last year which are available on our school website, so well done everyone and keep up the good work.

We have already had a busy and exciting start to the new school year, and it was a pleasure on Tuesday to see every pupil in school uniform. They looked really smart and ready to start their new year. The children have settled quickly and well into our new year. Your class teachers will be sending out class news very soon, with information about trips, and I hope you have received by now your letters about after school clubs which start next week. There are lots of clubs run voluntarily by staff at the school and other providers. More clubs may become available as we move through the year. We would welcome suggestions from parents with regards to after school clubs and your parent governors would love to hear from you with suggestions for after school clubs and any other discussions you wish to have with them. Your parent governors are Mrs. Emma Purver, Mrs. Joanne Suscens and Mrs. Janet Husband

Please continue to support the school by not taking holidays in term time as this is detrimental to a child's education, if you need further information about holidays in term time please contact Miss Tully in the first instance. We have seen improvements in our attendance figures but there is still room for improvement.

Just a reminder of our website [www.handaleprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.handaleprimaryschool.co.uk). This is continually updated, including the weekly newsletters and has some lovely pictures of your children on. Please visit the site and let us know what you think. The website has many useful documents and information for parents / carers.

Our school e-mail address is [office@handale.rac.sch.uk](mailto:office@handale.rac.sch.uk) and please can you ensure if you have changed your phone or other details over the summer that you inform the office immediately. If you need to contact staff via their school e-mail please could I ask that you respect their work / life balance and do not contact them after 6.30 pm on an evening and understand that they may not be able to respond until the morning. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter. I look forward to many exciting days ahead and working in partnership with you to ensure the very best outcomes for your children. This is always a lovely term with all our Christmas activities and lots of opportunities for us to meet socially and I look forward to seeing you at our varied events.

Mrs Blakeley