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All Children  
deserve to feel-



To create a school where we all:  
go further than we thought!  
run faster than we hoped!  
reach higher than we dreamed!  
to become the people God meant us to be!!!!

Dated: 26<sup>th</sup> November 2015

Dear Parents & Pupils,

Here is newsletter number 12 for this academic year;

1.	FOSS Christmas disco
2.	Bookfair
3.	Football
4.	Author Visit
5.	Easyfundraising
6.	Calendar
7.	Beetle Drive
8.	Christmas tree decorating
9.	Nativity
10.	OPEN DAY

1. Just to let you know that the FOSS children's disco will be on 11<sup>th</sup> December, details to follow.



2. We are currently holding a Book Fair in the school hall, run by Scholastic Books. We are hoping to raise funds to buy non-fiction books for the school library and hope you will support us. The Book Fair will be in school until 1<sup>st</sup> December.. **On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November we are having a dressing up day when your child is welcome to come into school dressed as a book character.**

3. This week was our last week for the after school football club. We would like to thank Jack from York City Football Club for all the work he has done not only with the football team but also with all the children throughout the school, helping them to improve their football skills.



4. Yesterday, as part of our book week we had a visit from the author and illustrator Stephen Waterhouse. Stephen worked with all the children across the school, which they all really enjoyed. There is a display of some of Stephen's books in the school entrance with order forms if you would like to make a purchase,.

5. Thank you very much to all the parents who have registered with and started using 'easyfundraising'. If you are about to start your Christmas shopping you may wish to register with this organisation and help raise money for the school fund. The easy fundraising organisation helps charities, schools, sports clubs and other good causes to raise money when their supporters shop online. It works in a similar way to nectar, but instead of earning points when you shop, you raise a donation for the school fund. It's very simple - just visit <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sotfprimary/> to register and when you shop with over 2000 well known retailers like Amazon, Argos, M&S, eBay and many more the retailer makes a donation to the school. It doesn't cost you anymore to shop through easyfundraising and we would really welcome your support so that we can boost our school fund in this very simple way.

**easyfundraising**  
.org.uk

6. Thanks go to all who supported FOSS by buying their wonderful calendar, they sold nearly 80 copies to raise money for school IT equipment. Our thanks go to members of the FOSS committee for all the hard work they put to produce such a lovely calendar and to make this a success.

7. Thank you to all who supported the school and attended the FOSS Beetle Drive last Friday, we will give details of money raised when we have totalled it up. Once again thanks go to our FOSS committee and particularly Mrs. Dawkins for organising the event.

8. On December 1st at approximately 9.10 am, we will be dressing the school Christmas tree. At this event parents are invited to join in singing carols whilst each child puts a decoration on the tree. Children that are new to the school are invited to bring in a decoration labelled with their name and these are kept in school and brought out each year.



9. This year the Nativity play will be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December in the School Hall. This change of venue and break from tradition, follows similar arrangements to those that were made last year. It is because there are so many children in Mrs. Comito's and Mrs., Sharpe's class, that to give them all a chance to appear on the stage, we need more space than the church can offer.

10. You may have seen our advertisement in the Easingwold Advertiser and York Evening Press for the Open Day we are holding next Friday (4<sup>th</sup> December, 1.30-3.30pm). This is for prospective pupils to the school, so if you know of anyone who may wish to send their child to our school please encourage them to drop in.