



OASIS ACADEMY HENDERSON AVENUE

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OASIS CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

2020 has been a difficult year for many people in our community. This year our Academy is really pleased to be joining with Connect Church who, in collaboration with local schools and collection centres, will be working to provide a minimum of 150 hampers for families in our area who are finding it difficult due to Covid 19.

There are 17 days to go on the appeal and up to now £120.00 of £500.00 has been raised. If you feel you would like to help us with this, you can either donate money through our crowd funding page:

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/community-christmas-hamper-scunthorpe>

or donate a selection box.

Please send any selection boxes into school before the end of term. Your generosity will make a big difference to many lives this Christmas and is greatly appreciated!



CHRISTMAS DINNER/JUMPER DAY

Thank you to all of the parents who have returned the Christmas Dinner slip; any outstanding slips would be appreciated by Tuesday 8th December. Christmas Dinner Day will be on **Thursday 10th December**; there will be a **main/vegetarian option only** on this day.

Christmas Dinner day will also be **Christmas Jumper Day**; children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper instead of their academy cardigan/sweatshirt.

PANTOMIME WEEK

The last week of this term (week commencing 14th December) is Panto Week and there are lots of lovely activities for the children to engage in during the week.

Our Christmas treat for our children is a visit to the pantomime! Because of the current situation we cannot go to the theatre to see this, so instead we have arranged for the theatre to come to us, in a specially filmed version of 'Cinderella', which the children will be viewing on **Tuesday 15th December**.



Through the week we will be holding other pantomime-related activities:

- A health and wellbeing dance workshop with 'Buttons'
- Story time with Cinders
- Writing letters and reviews which will be sent to the characters, who will film a personalised reply in return.

To make the week extra special, children may wear Christmas jumpers for the whole week (with their normal uniform).

FLU IMMUNISATIONS

If your child was absent from school on 3rd December either due to their bubble being closed or through illness, there will be a flu immunisation follow-up session at the academy on **Thursday 28th January 2020**.

Alternatively there will be a Flu Vaccination drop in session as below or you can contact your GP to see if they are able to offer the vaccination.

Date	Location	Time
20/01/2021	Tesco Extra Gallagher Retail Pk, Doncaster Rd, Scunthorpe. DN15 8GR	15:30pm - 17:00pm

DIARY DATES

DECEMBER

10th Christmas dinner

11th Y1/2 Christingle Day

W/C 14th Pantomime Week

17th Academy closes at 2:00pm for Christmas Break (please note the earlier finish time).

JANUARY

6th Academy re-opens

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL UPDATES

12 Days of Christmas – and Panto Time!

To get into the festive spirit, North Lincolnshire Libraries will be reading Christmas stories this December for '12 Days of Christmas' and posting them on their [Facebook page](#). Look out for their readings from Friday 11th December.

They will also be producing their own pantomime, currently scheduled for Thursday 17th December to coincide with when most children break up for school for the Christmas holidays. Look forward to fun, jokes, and a traditional Panto Dame.

Keep following them on [Facebook](#) to find out more.

Winter Mini Challenge

The Winter Mini Challenge encourages children to keep up their reading habits over the winter, with a free-to-access [website](#) featuring rewards and incentives for reading and reviewing books.

Children can choose what they read to take part, including their own books and books borrowed from libraries. To find out which lending services libraries currently offer, check the drop-down branch menu on North Lincs Council [Libraries](#) page.

Another great way to take part is to borrow their free e books from [Borrowbox](#). Older readers might enjoy these Borrowbox titles from the Challenge reading list, which is full of heroes that inspire, challenge and push the definition of what it means to be a hero:

'Oh my Gods' by Alex Sheppard

'Punching the air' by Ibi Zoboi and Yusuf Salaam

'Raybearer' by Jordan Ifueko

The Winter Mini Challenge started on Tuesday 1st December 2020 and finishes on Friday 15th January 2021.

Imagination Library: 'Box of tricks'

Children born in 2017 have recently been sent 'Box of tricks' by Katie Cleminson for free as part of North Lincolnshire's Imagination Library scheme.

For her birthday, Eva is given a very special present: a box of tricks. She soon discovers that she is a master magician and for her first trick conjures up a rather large pet - Monty the polar bear.

For activities to link in with the book, see the [ideas sheet](#), and for more ideas and activities like this, visit the [Imagination Library](#) page.

The Imagination Library works in partnership with local councils and charities to send free books to children every month from birth until age five. Every month a new, carefully selected book will be delivered to your home, completely free of charge.

Use [this form](#) to register your child for the scheme if you have not done so already.

