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Friday 24th November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

REVERSE ADVENT – HORSFALL HOUSE

I am writing to you to inform you of some exciting plans we have for the Christmas Season.

As we are now part of DGAT, Amberley are involved in the DGAT Advent Calendar. This involves retelling part of the Christmas Story. Each school in DGAT will complete part of the story and these will be put together to form an Advent video. Alongside this, Amberley has been challenged to complete a 'Reverse Advent Calendar' to benefit a local charity or organisation.

I have been in contact with the activities leader from Horsfall House who is keen to get involved with this.

Each class will go to Horsfall House on a Tuesday in December. Each class will take presents to the residents and spend some time singing, reading poems and involving the residents in our Christmas celebrations. The classes will attend on the following dates:

Tuesday 5th December 2023 – Friesian Class

Tuesday 12th December 2023 – Belted Galloway Class

Tuesday 19th December 2023 – Hereford & Dexter

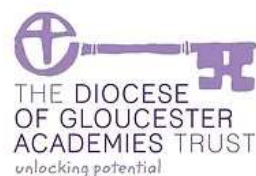
We are asking **two** things of you.

1. If possible, please donate some gifts as part of our Reverse Advent Calendar. There are 66 residents at Horsfall House and we have 74 families in the school and therefore ask if each family would be happy to donate a gift to support us in our challenge. Here are some ideas that have been suggested:

- Slippers in a variety of men's/women's sizes
- Smellies
- Chocolate
- Home-made decorations
- Fluffy socks
- Soft sweets
- Handkerchiefs
- Lip balm

If any of the gifts are **chocolate**, please indicate this somewhere on the present.

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- As Horsfall House is so close, we are asking if parents are able to help with any of the lifts to Horsfall House in Minchinhampton and back again to school. We aim to leave around 1.35pm on these Tuesdays and return around 2.45pm.

Please complete the permission form below to indicate that you are happy for your child to attend on this occasion and then indicate if you are able to help with lifts.

Thank you so much for your ongoing support.

Kind regards,

Mrs S Hamilton
Hereford Class Teacher

I give permission for my child _____ in _____ class to visit Horsfall House as part of the 'Reverse Advent Calendar' on the dates specified in the letter above.

I also give permission for my child to be transported via car with a member of staff or parent.

I am able/unable to help transport children to and from Horsfall House on the following dates (please delete as appropriate)

Tuesday 5th December 2023

Tuesday 12th December 2023

Tuesday 19th December 2023

I am able to transport a total of _____ children on the above date.

Please pass these back to your child's class teacher so that they can organise numbers and lifts.

Signed _____

Date _____

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