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## Grampian Primary Academy Amazon Christmas Book Wish List



As explained previously, all our fundraising this year will go towards embellishing and resourcing our library. Our previous Christmas fundraising events have raised hundreds of pounds but unfortunately we are having to do fundraising a little differently this year. We had originally planned to hold the 'Reindeer Walk' as a sponsored event but we have decided this isn't appropriate at this time. However the 'Reindeer Walk' will still go ahead for some festive fun for everyone. We recognise that not all our families are in a financial position to contribute during this time. For any families that are financially able and willing to contribute, we would invite you to consider donating a book to the school library. These books will be enjoyed by lots of children in school. As a staff team, we have set up a wish list of books we would really like the children to have access to. The link is: [https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/PFFDPW5TRTTD?ref=cm\\_sw\\_em\\_r\\_wl\\_ip\\_uKxsGfxnvVfKI](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/PFFDPW5TRTTD?ref=cm_sw_em_r_wl_ip_uKxsGfxnvVfKI) (we will also text this out to parents and carers and pop a link on the website for ease of access). If parents and carers purchase directly from the Amazon wish list then the book donated will be automatically delivered to school. Please add your details (name and telephone number) to the gift message so that we are able to issue your raffle tickets.

Some families may choose to purchase a book from our wish list from an alternative supplier. Sometimes they can be a little cheaper but perhaps not as convenient. We would still be very grateful of the donation which could be handed to class teachers or to the staff on duty each day.

## Aspiration in Year 5 & Year 6

Aspiration is one of our three school values and is also a huge part of our 'Aim High' rock in our attitude framework. Our vision is for all our children to have a good insight into some of the possible jobs, careers or professions they could choose to follow in adult life. This part of our curriculum links to our previous career fairs and 'what's my line' assembly.

On Monday 23rd November, both classes will be taking part in a STEM day where the children will explore careers in science, technology, arts, engineering and maths with STEM ambassadors from the world of work. In the afternoon, we hoping to be joined by some very special visitors from the armed forces who will extend this learning and share how the STEM subjects are vitally important to their role. This careers learning will be extended the following week when the children will be taking part in a 'Where does my job take me' workshop. This workshop will link Geography and careers, teaching the children how some jobs allow you to travel the world and visit some interesting and varied destinations.



ASPIRATION  
Through high aspirations,  
we unlock positive futures  
for all.



Wednesday 18th November

## Newsletter

### Christmas at Grampian

Although Christmas will be different this year, school will still have a festive feel to it.

**Doorways Derby Appeal:** Linked to our school value of **Nurture** we would like to support this local stocking appeal. We are asking for donations of small gifts that we could then use to fill some stockings to donate to the appeal. The gift could be anything that a child aged 3-11 would enjoy to receive—Doorways have provided a few examples: small cuddly animals, travel-sized games, gloves and mittens, pencils and crayons, puzzles, lip gloss, nail varnish etc. We will be putting a box at each of the greeting stations at the front and side of school. If families who wish to donate a gift could place them in the box we can include them in stockings (after a period of quarantine so we remain covid-safe). Donations can be made from Monday 23rd November—Friday 11th December. Doorways have asked that stockings are with them by the 15th December.



**Classrooms to Care Homes:** Throughout December, we will be linking with a care home in our local community. A few classes in school will be sending a weekly delivery of Christmas cards and Christmas crafts made by the children with our older children writing letters to the residents. We have asked Chef to help supply a few festive treats that the residents in the care home can enjoy whilst they read the letters from the children. We hope that this will bring some Christmas joy to the residents for what will be a very different and tricky Christmas for them.

**Reindeer Walk:** On Monday 7th December, the coaches at Derby County Community Trust along with Mr. Gaunt, will be leading the bubbles in a whole school reindeer walk. This will take place around the school field and be part of our sport and wellbeing curriculum as a festive way for us all to be active and out in the fresh air. The children are welcome to wear reindeer antlers/headbands on this day.



**Virtual Visits with Santa:** Our younger children will be having a virtual 'Zoom' visit from Santa early in December.

**Xmas Dinner and Xmas Jumper Day:** On Friday 18th December, Chef and the kitchen team will be serving the children a fabulous Christmas lunch. This will also be the day we invite the children to come to school wearing their Christmas jumpers.



**Xmas Raffle:** With huge thanks going to Sarah Gardiner, a Year 4 parent, we have some wonderful raffles prizes that have been donated to the school. We need to run the raffle in a slightly different way but raffle tickets can be purchased through School Money and we will then text out your raffle ticket numbers. Or alternatively, parents, carers and friends of Grampian may choose to donate a book from our 'Amazon Wish List'. For every book gifted to school we will issue the equivalent number of raffle tickets to the same value. For example, donating a book from our Amazon Wish List which costs £4 will equate to us issuing 20 raffle tickets. We will draw the raffle on Monday 21st December.