



## PURSTON INFANT SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

At this time of year, there can be pressure from children and shops to buy their teacher a gift. We would like to take this opportunity to say while we are always really grateful by your kindness and generosity we would like to try and reduce your stress a little and ask that you don't buy us any gifts. We all love teaching all your children and it is a pleasure to do it. They make us smile every day. That is the best gift.

As part of our teaching, we focus on helping the children to understand that not everybody is as lucky as we are and that there are people around us in Featherstone and the UK that may not be safe, warm and fed this Christmas. In the past, we have supported the food banks in Featherstone and Pontefract in their fantastic work on this.

If you would like to, we suggest instead of a gift your child could bring in foodstuffs to donate to one of the above charities. The staff and Governors are also contributing to this and some are not sending Christmas cards to each other but donating the money to the charities.

If you feel you and your child would like to join us in supporting this then please begin to send in your donations to your child's class from tomorrow. These will be collected together, displayed and discussed with the children as it grows and how it helps people. They may still want to give their teacher something, so we would love a picture, card or something made by them. Thank you for your support and please have a happy, relaxing and restful Christmas.

Mr P Barnett

Headteacher



The Designated Senior Lead for Safeguarding and Child Protection is the Headteacher, Philip Barnett, supported by the Deputy Headteacher, Alison Gascoyne and Family Support Worker, Kerry Dyas.  
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