



# Nightingale Primary School

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## 'Jolabokaflood'



Dear Parents/Carers,

With Christmas festivities approaching, we are excited that we will be holding the Jolabokaflood event again this year, for all pupils at Nightingale Primary School.

This initiative mimics an Icelandic tradition whereby, every Christmas Eve, the Icelandic people practice something called 'Jolabokaflood', which translates to 'Christmas bookflood'. This involves giving books as presents on Christmas Eve, so that friends and family can spend a cosy night in, curled up enjoying a good story.

At Nightingale, we strive to continue finding exciting ways to encourage our children to become lifelong readers and experience the joy of reading. From the majority of families' feedback given last year, we recognise that this will be the perfect way to bring our community together.

We are therefore asking whether families are able to donate a book which would be suitable for your own child's age group – e.g. if you have a child in Year 2, the book you donate would be gifted to another Year 2 child. These books can either be new or include second-hand books that are in immaculate condition (as good as new).

Please ensure books are handed to your child's class teacher no later than **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December**, along with any wrapping paper you can spare. These books will then be wrapped in school and every child will take home their very own gifted book on the last day of term, ready to open and share on Christmas Eve!

When children return in the New Year, they will be encouraged to discuss the book that they were given, share their reading experience and possibly even read their favourite part out to the class, or with a friend.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Jacky Burton

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