



December 2014 Newsletter

Advent Collection

We are continuing to collect coppers & 5p pieces to send to CAFOD as part of their 'World Gifts' campaign. The children will choose which gifts to send to the 3rd World when they know how much they have raised - eg a pair of piglets, a school starter pack, a doctor's bicycle - really useful equipment for people.

Please encourage your child to bring money into school.

Christmas Fair



A great big thank you to everyone who supported this event - the Friends of the School who organised it, the volunteers on the day & beforehand, and everyone else for spending their money & selling raffle tickets. We are so grateful to them.

Well done, also, to our brass players for entertaining us so well while we shopped, and our craft club for the lovely crafts!

[The amount raised was £809.20, absolutely amazing, especially when you consider the size of our school!!](#)

Thank you again!!!

Congratulations



We'd all like to congratulate Grace on achieving her Grade 5 piano exam - a fantastic achievement!

Well done to all of our Class 1 & Year 2 pupils on their performance in the nativity play. They worked very hard and performed beautifully. Our thanks to all of the staff who prepared them for this lovely occasion & Mr. Craggs for the wonderful staging.

School concerts

Thank you to all of you who are letting your child take part in the Carol service on Monday night at 6pm. It is a big part of our school year & we like as many pupils as possible to take part. I'm sure it will be a lovely occasion.

Guitar & Ukelele concert - Tuesday morning at 9.15am.

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Christmas Parties

The children's Christmas parties take place in the afternoon.

- *They can either come to school dressed in their party clothes but they may get dirty when playing outside.
- *They can bring their clothes with them to change into after lunch themselves.
- *Or - you can come up to school to help them get changed - after 12.45pm please!

We are asking for a £1 donation from each pupil please to go towards food provided at the parties, thank you!

Winter Weather

Please make sure your children come to school with a change of shoes & warm outdoor gear like hats & gloves. They do like to play in the snow, but we can only take children out who are appropriately dressed.

A change of shoes is really important so that they are warm all day, & so that our school floors don't get too slippy.

Please listen to the local radio stations (Metro, Galaxy & Durham FM) on a snowy morning in case we have to close - this would only be in the most extreme circumstances, as we do like to stay open. Our school website will also immediately be updated if we close the school.



Dates for the Diary

- 15th December - 6pm - Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Carol Service
 - 16th December - 9.15am - guitar & ukulele concert
 - 17th December - Class 1 & Year 2 Christmas party
 - 18th December - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Christmas party
 - 19th December - Class 4 sing carols at Abbots Court
- Break up for CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY**

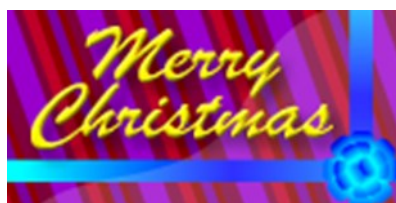


- 5th January - Back to school

And Finally...

I would like to wish everybody a happy and holy Christmas, and a wonderful new year.

See you in 2015!



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