



November 2014 Newsletter

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We are leading up to a very busy time of year as you will be aware. There will be many opportunities for you to visit us during our various celebrations and we look forward to seeing you there. Please particularly take note of the dates for your diary so that you don't miss out on anything.

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 slippery.

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.***

Congratulations to Ethan-Jake

Our whole school was astounded when Ethan-Jake came back after half term with 2 huge gold medals around his neck. He had been to Italy to the World Thai Boxing Championships and had won 2 gold medals. What an honour to have a double world champion in our school!!!! We're all very proud of him. Well done, Ethan-Jake!

Christmas Fayre



The Friends of the School are organising a Christmas Fayre on Friday – 5th December at 2pm. Please put the date in your diary. We are still raising funds for a variety of school items & events. Our thanks to the Friends of the School for all of their efforts.

Pyjama Day for the Food Bank

Thank you to all of the children who took part in the 'pyjama day' for the Food Bank. We received a huge amount of donations that will be so helpful to so many people, especially at this time of year. Thank you to the Mini Vinnies who suggested it & organised it all. What wonderful children we have!

Advent

During Advent, we will be collecting our 'Coppers for CAFOD' again – to raise money for their amazing cause of 'World Gifts'. We are also sending a 'World Gifts leaflet' with this newsletter so that you can see what the children can choose to buy with the money raised. Could you please raid all of your coppers and 5p pieces for this? Thank you.

Storysacks Reminder

Just a reminder that you can borrow the lovely storysacks to share stories & games with your child if they are in Class 1 or 2. The storysacks library is open every Monday from 8.45am until 9am.

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Scarecrow Event

Thank you to all who took part in this. The scarecrows that came into school were amazing!! We were all really impressed.



World War 1 Performance

I'd like to congratulate all of the staff and children for the wonderful performance of their World War 1 play. I know all of you enjoyed it too. They did so well and it was a very moving occasion. Well done!

Dates for the Diary

- 24th – 28th November - Scholastic Book Fair in school – come & do some early Christmas shopping! Please note the bookcases will be open on Tuesday & Wednesday from 3.00pm-3.30pm. (you can also send money into school with your child & Mrs. Starkie will open the cases during the day)
- 4th December - 2pm – Advent Mass in school hall – all welcome
- 5th December - 2pm – School Christmas Fair – all welcome
- 11th & 12th December – 1.30pm - Class 1 & 2 Nativity Play
- 15th December - 6pm – Class 3 & 4 Carol Service
- 16th December - Children have their school Christmas lunch
- 17th December - Reception, Year 1 & 2 Christmas Party
- 18th December - Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Party
- 19th December - BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Return to school on 5th January

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