



Newsletter 12th November 2015

Please turn over for important Christmas dates

Playtime Information Meeting

The meeting will now take place on Thursday 3rd December at 3:30pm instead of Tuesday 17th November. Please come along and find out more about our whole school play project.

Class 1 Presentation for Parents

Miss Wilkes has lots of photographs she would like to share. You are welcome to attend a presentation on Thursday 26 November at 3:15pm. Please get in touch, if you cannot make the date.

Tidy Ted Award

Please come along to our school assembly on Thursday 3rd December at 2:30pm. The gardening club will be presented with environmental awards from Durham County Council's Tidy Ted scheme.

Pantomime at the Gala Theatre

As last year's panto treat was a huge success, we have purchased tickets for two performances at the Gala theatre in December. Class 1 will watch the Elf's Christmas Toys and Classes 2, 3 and 4 will watch Cinderella. Please note the late return time.

Reading, Spellings and Homework

Please help and encourage your child(ren) to read at home etc. Please do not hesitate to contact school if your child is not completing work at home. Children who receive support from home make better progress than those who do not.

Playtime Snack

Children are encouraged to eat fruit and vegetable snacks at playtime (fresh or dried). If your child likes to bring a snack to school, please ensure they bring fruit or vegetables (for example carrot sticks). Cereal bars and biscuits are not allowed.

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| <i>Dates for the diary</i> (subject to changes) | |
| Week beginning 16th November | Anti-bullying Week |
| November 25 th | 4 Year 6 children visit Esh Winning Primary school for a creative writing day |
| November 26th 10:15pm | School council plant trees with Durham City Homes |
| November 26th 3:15pm | Class 1 presentation for parents |
| Wednesday 2nd December 1:15-3pm | Year 2 visit North Road Methodist Church (Christmas Journey) |
| Thursday 3 rd December 2:30pm | Tidy Ted award presentation (Parents are invited to attend) |
| Friday 4 th December | Reports out to parents |
| Monday 7 th December 1pm | Class 1 Gala theatre visit |
| Tuesday 8th December 1pm | Classes 2, 3 and 4 pantomime at the Gala The children will return to school approximately 4:45pm |
| Thursday 3rd December 3:30pm | OPAL playtime development meeting for parents |
| December 9 th – 10 th | Parent progress meetings (children invited to attend) |
| Monday December 14 th 9:30-12 | 4 Year 6 children attend a STEM Festival |
| Tuesday 15 th December 10am and 1:30pm | Christmas Nativity (parents welcome to attend either the morning or afternoon production) |
| Wednesday 16th December 9:30-12 | Mine Craft Festival 4 Year 6 children |
| Wednesday 16 th December | KS2 Christmas party |
| Thursday 17 th December | KS1 Christmas party |
| Friday 18 th December | Carol concert at Bearpark Methodist Chapel 2pm start |
| 21 st December – 4 th January | School closed (<i>reopens on Monday 4th</i>) |