



**ONLY 5 SLEEPS UNTIL CHRISTMAS !**



KEEP CHECKING THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR UP-TO-DATE EVENTS AND CALENDAR DATES.

School closes at 3pm on Friday 20th December and will resume for the children on Tuesday 7th January 2025



**TEACHER TRAINING DAY - MONDAY 6TH JANUARY 2025 - SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN.**

**PE Kit and PE Days**

This year, we decided to trial a new system for PE days for the children, the purpose of this was to maximise their PE time and remove the need for getting changed within school (hopefully removing lost clothing items too!).

This has been a success and will continue with PE days as follows after the Christmas break - PLEASE NOTE THEY HAVE CHANGED:

**Nursery and Reception - Tuesday & Thursday**

**Year One - Monday and Thursday**

**Year Two - Monday and Wednesday**

**Year Three - Tuesday and Wednesday**

**Year Four - Tuesday and Friday**

If your child attends and after-school club outside of their normal PE day, they will need a PE kit in school on club days.

**CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING UPDATE**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Christmas Extravaganza - it was a lovely evening and the children thoroughly enjoyed making all of the crafts along with carols by the tree. Thank you to everyone who attended our Christmas performances - the children were amazing and did exceptionally well to remember their lines and songs so well. We must extend a thank you to staff for providing the lovely hampers for raffles prizes along with our PAF Association who provided refreshments at all of the Christmas events and also sold raffle tickets for us - we are extremely grateful for all of your support.

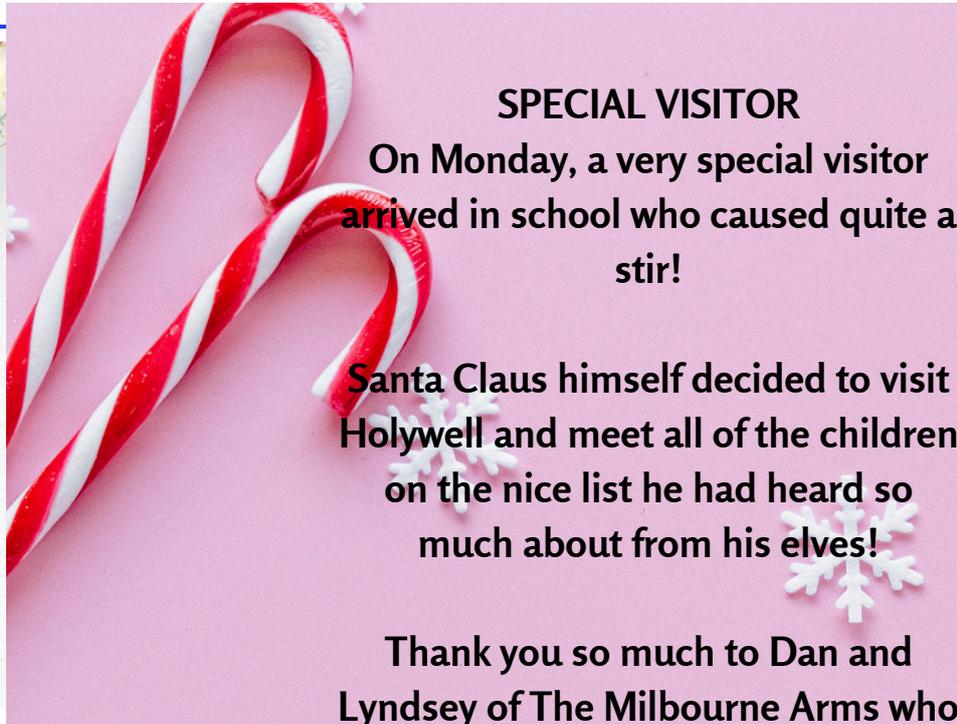
Our Christmas fundraising efforts have raised £950 for school funds - this money will go towards providing enrichment activities and resources for the children across school, so thank you ALL so much for the part you have played in helping us to raise this amazing total.



Save the Children  
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**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED SAVE THE CHILDREN'S CHROSTMAS JUMPER DAY IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK - WE RAISED A TOTAL OF £129.50 FOR THE CHARITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.**



**SPECIAL VISITOR**

**On Monday, a very special visitor arrived in school who caused quite a stir!**

**Santa Claus himself decided to visit Holywell and meet all of the children on the nice list he had heard so much about from his elves!**

**Thank you so much to Dan and Lyndsey of The Milbourne Arms who directed Santa to see us!**

**We have received a great deal of help this year from Dan and Lyndsey including the buying of playground toys for the children and fundraising nights for school etc - we are very grateful to them for all of their support. On behalf of the children, staff and Governors, we wish them a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.**

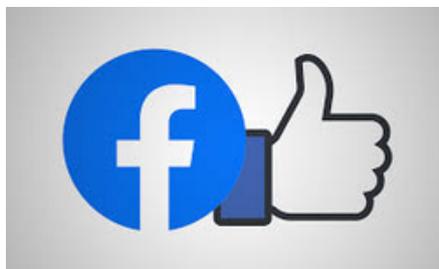


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**The portal for Reception applications for 2025 closes on 15th January 2025 - parents/carers must log into this portal to request places:**  
[https://schadm.northumberland.gov.uk/CitizenPortal\\_LIVE/en](https://schadm.northumberland.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en)