

# FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

## 33 more sleeps.....



The countdown continues.....

Thank you to everyone who completed their Parent View questionnaires online, it really is appreciated

If you have not completed a questionnaire yet, but would like to, please use the link below.



Parent View

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

We are approaching a VERY busy time with 'Christmas' arriving in school next week.

We have made sure all events are up to date on the school website calendar, so please, if in doubt—check this out!

We will continue to post items of interest to Facebook and keep the App updated. We have been informed that due to a change in Apple developments, some users (iPhone and iPad) may experience issues with the App. We are working closely with the App creator to work this out and try to ensure there is the least disruption as possible for Apple users.

This week Year 3 & 4 enjoyed a fabulous visit to Newcastle Central Mosque.



Pupils observed and learned first hand the importance of the mosque within the Muslim community as well as adding to their class knowledge about the pillars of Islam and how and why Muslims pray. The children learnt a great deal during this visit and we are very grateful to the mosque for taking the time to show the children around and talk with them. The children's behaviour was impeccable. They made us very proud.

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**WEBSITE UPDATE:**  
All school policies have been updated and are now on the school website.  
Policies include: homework, maths and English.  
Please take the time to familiarise yourself with these policies.

## It is time for panto ..... Oh no it isn't!!



We are thrilled to announce that the whole school will be enjoying a pantomime of Beauty and the Beast in school on Monday 2nd December.



We cannot thank our Parents and Friends Association enough for their kindness in paying for the performance.

It really will be a magical start to the festivities within school.

**Important Dates:**

29.11.19—Holywell Village Christmas Lights Switch on

02.12.19—Christmas Pantomime

05.12.19—Christmas Dinner day

05.12.19—Christmas Extravaganza from 4-6pm

09.12.19 to 13.12.19 Christmas Performance Week

18.12.19—Special Visitor in school

20.12.19—School breaks for Christmas

07.01.20—School resumes for the Children (6.1.20 is a teacher training day)



**CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA**  
**5TH December 4-6pm**  
**ALL WELCOME—COME & JOIN US!**

Christmas activities and crafts on sale and to make on the night!

Candle-lit walk around the village with carols by the school Christmas tree.

Free Mulled Wine and Mince pies too!

**APPLICATIONS FOR 2020**

The portal for Reception 2020 places opened on 1st NOVEMBER—please do not forget to apply if your child is currently in nurse.

**Governor News:**

We have vacancies on our Governing Body. These are not parent governor vacancies so no ballot would be required. If this is of interest to you and you would like more information, please make an appointment to speak with Mrs. Brett. She will be happy to discuss requirements with any interested parties. Many thanks.



Last week's winner: Penguin House

This week's winner: Parrot House



Last week's winner: Y4—98.5%

This week's winner: Y3—99.33%

**Parents and Friends Association**  
 Christmas Shopping /wrapping film night—**Monday 16th December.**



Ideal chance to buy or wrap gifts whilst the children are entertained until 5pm with a Christmas film, snacks and treats. Tickets on sale for £3 on **Monday 9th** and **Tuesday 10th December ONLY.**



**Christmas Lights Switch on Holywell Village**

Next Friday 29th November from 4pm there will be the annual Christmas lights switch on ceremony at the Milbourne Arms. The winning child of the lights design competition will get to switch the lights on! Lots of festive fun and activities for the family have been arranged by Seaton valley Council.

Thank you to everyone for their support of our Children in Need fundraiser; we raised £198.20 for the charity!



**CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY**



On 20th December, we will be supporting Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day in School. For £1 children can wear their Christmas jumper instead of their school jumper for the day. Please note, pupils should wear the rest of their uniform.

**BOOKFAIR**

Thank you to everyone who visited the bookfair whilst it was in school.

We are grateful to everyone who purchased books.

We had hoped it would have been slightly more successful; however we were able to get £27 worth of books from the fair as commission on the sales made. Thank you very much.

