

NEWS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

26th November – 4pm to 5pm Christmas Lights Switch on in the Village.

Please join us for Carols at the Milbourne Arms from 4pm.

9th December – Christmas Dinner Day
If you have not ordered a dinner for your child already – please contact Mr. Wood in the office.

10th December – Christmas Jumper Day
£1 donation for Save the Children fund requested.

17th December
School breaks up for Christmas

Tuesday 4th January
Staff Training Day

Wednesday 5th January
School resumes for spring term

Covid update:

As you will know, we have had an increased number of positive cases within school since we returned from the summer break.

There is no need for children to isolate following close contact with a positive case and instead these children will be identified and parents/carers contacted directly. If you are contacted, you will be requested to take your (close contact) child for a PCR test and advise school when the results are received.

Your co-operation with this is appreciated.



We are issuing this edition as an additional newsletter as there have been some changes to planned events unfortunately AND some added exciting Christmas items.



Children in Need Appeal..... Thank you to everyone who donated today – we have had a FAB-U-LOUS day in school with some brilliant costumes on show. You can tell it has been a while since we have been able to have such fun in school and that is just by the staff costumes!

The children enjoyed a sweet treat from school (cupcake) and Mario and Luigi gave out gold coins to all of the children whilst having to keep them away from Wario's grasp!



Thank you to everyone – we raised an amazing

£281.66

for
Children in Need!

Reception 2022 School Applications

The Northumberland County Council portal for Reception school applications for September 2022 is now open and will close on 15th January 2022.

If you have an eligible age child and have NOT yet completed an application for Reception 2022 please do so here:

http://schadm.northumberland.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en

Exciting PAF Christmas raffle information



We are THRILLED to be able to tell you that our PAF Association are holding a Christmas Raffle this year!..... it has been so long since we have been able to have such a thing – we are very excited! The children will come home with books of raffle tickets next week to sell to family and friends only – Please do not sell by knocking on doors etc, we want everyone to stay as safe as possible whilst hopefully having the chance to win some lovely prizes.

Prizes range from first prize £100 CASH to vouchers, smellies, hampers, wine and spirits. All sold stubs and monies need to be returned to school in a sealed envelope by Monday 6th December and the winning raffle tickets will be drawn by the children in Christmas Jumper Day assembly on:

Friday 10th December.

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT THIS RAFFLE FOR MUCH NEEDED FUNDS FOR SCHOOL – We have missed out on so much in the last 18+ months and are very grateful to the dedicated PAF Association members who are running this to help all of the children within school. Thank you.

IMPORTANT CHANGE TO CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES.

Unfortunately, we are unable to go ahead with the planned performances within school for parents/carers to spectate – the Covid situation and local transmission data make it unsafe still for us to congregate indoors.

Therefore we would like to invite parents/carers to attend the following:



OUTDOOR CAROLS AND HOT CHOCOLATE



8th December 9.20am - Years 1 to 4 - carols and hot chocolate (served from 9am) on the yard. Parents can spectate adhering to social distancing.

10th December 9.20am - Early Years (supported by some Year 4 super singers) carols and hot chocolate (served from 9am) on the yard. Parents can spectate adhering to social distancing.

10th December 2.30pm - Years 1 to 4 carols and hot chocolate (served from 2.15pm) on the yard. Parents can spectate adhering to social distancing.

Packed Lunch Reminder:

Please can the parents/carers of those on packed lunches remember that we have a 'healthy packed lunch' protocol within school. **Chocolate and sweets are only permitted once per week, on a Friday as a treat** and in moderation please.

WEATHER ADVISEMENT



If the weather reports are to be believed, temperatures are set to drop next week, therefore we ask that all children come to school with suitable warm outdoor clothing each day.

Wherever possible, we will have the children outside at playtimes, lunchtimes and for PE sessions so it is essential that every child has jogging bottoms within their PE kit and a jumper/cardigan in school every day. The temperature within school is colder than normal as all windows are open in classrooms and communal areas for ventilation (as per Covid risk assessment and government instruction) so layering clothing is advisable. Should the snow come, we would love for the children to enjoy it on the field and they can only do this with suitable wellies or boots to wear outdoors. Please ensure that the children have an indoor change with them also.

Look out for our next newsletter which will be the last one before Christmas!

..... ONLY 35 DAYS TO GO!



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