



Newsletter Friday 6th December 2019



Dear Parents & Carers,

We are officially entering the “silly season” so please keep checking your emails and the website for any changes! The next few weeks are jam packed with activities and performances so the countdown to Christmas will fly by. **Don't forget, we break up at 2.30pm on the last day of term.**

PTFA Secret Santa

The PTFA have arranged for Secret Santa to be in school on Friday 13th December. The children have an opportunity to choose an affordable gift and wrap it for a loved one. The cost of this is £2.50. We would appreciate any donations that would make a suitable gift. Please drop at the school office by Thursday 12th December. Thank you for your support.

Termly reports

You should have received your child's termly report today. There is still time to make an appointment with your child's teacher on Monday 9th or Thursday 12th if you have anything you would like to discuss with them.

Girls' football success

On Tuesday of this week, nine pupils from y5/6 represented our school against a number of other local Primary schools in a girls' football tournament.



Our team excelled themselves; winning both of their qualifying games, drawing the semi-final (winning on penalties) and then going on to win the final in a nail-biting match.

The girls (coached by our very own Mrs Grantham) showed great team-work, resilience and sportsmanship. They thoroughly deserve their place in the next round (at York, in late January.) Watch this space...

Oriental Museum Visit



Year 2 visited the Oriental Museum in Durham last Tuesday as part of their history topic about Ancient Egypt. The children got to handle artefacts from Ancient Egypt, find out about the clothes, make up, food and writing from ancient times and one of the class was mummified! Daisy was mummified which the children thought was hilarious! Finally, the children got to see a real mummy and ask questions about her. Just before we left we were able to smell a mummy – this got mixed reviews from “yuck” to “it smells like old socks!” All the children thoroughly enjoyed their day.

Christmas jumper day

We will be having our Christmas jumper day on Friday 20th

December, which is the same day

as our Christmas lunch. For a donation of £1, children can wear their school uniform with their Christmas jumper. All monies raised will be used to purchase new books for the school library.



Christmas lunch – Friday 20th

As you are aware (via email and text) a Christmas lunch will have been automatically ordered for your child unless you have contacted the school office.

Church visit

The children in Mrs Dales and Mrs Dinsdale's classes visited St Matthew's church yesterday as part of their work on sacred places. They explored the church and talked about some of the features. Then they sang a song and two children asked if they could say a prayer which Mrs Dales and Mrs Dinsdale were really impressed by because they remembered it really well. Well done Sophie and Amelia.

Dates for the Diary:

Week beginning 9th Dec – parent/teacher consultations

Tuesday 17th December KS1 Nativity at 2pm

Tuesday 17th December – Christmas service at St Matthew's Church, Leyburn

Wednesday 18th December – Rec, Y1 & 2 Pantomime at Tennants

Thursday 19th December KS1 Nativity at 2pm

Thursday 19th December – KS2 Pantomime at Tennants

Friday 20th December – Christmas jumper day & Christmas lunch

Friday 20th December – Christmas holidays. School closes at 2.30pm

Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th January 2020 – Training day – school closed for pupils

Wednesday 8th January – School re-opens for pupils