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# **Newsletter Friday 11th November 2022**

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Dear Parents & Carers,

This week, as part of their geography this term, Year 3 braved the weather and visited the River Swale at Grinton to take part in some real geographical fieldwork.



Our cross country stars represented the school brilliantly this week at the North Yorkshire Finals held at Giggleswick and ran their hearts out and socks off! We are so proud of them all.



#### We will remember them....



We had very special visitors in school on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November who led our minute's silence. Year 4 recited 'In

Flander's Fields' by John McCrae. Steve, Emma and Amy from the Royal British Legion explained why we remember before talking to our older children about their medals.

#### **Contact details**

Please remember to let us know if/when your mobile numbers or email addresses so that we can make sure that our records are up to date.

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**Reminder: Children in Need** 



This year, it will be held on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November and the theme will be Spotty Spots, the brighter the better. See what you can come up with and bring a donation for this worthwhile cause.

Football kit is perfectly acceptable too, of course...



## **PTFA Hamper Raffle 2022**

The PTFA will be holding our annual Hamper Raffle in December and are looking for donations for

the following themes:

Year Group	Hamper Theme
Nursery and	Chocolates and
Reception	Sweets
Year 1	Stationery and Crafts
Year 2	Baking
Year 3	Christmas
Year 4	Pampering
Year 5	Sports
Year 6	Afternoon Tea

Please can donations be sent into the school office or to your child's teacher by **Friday 2**<sup>nd</sup> **December.** 

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Each child will be sent home with a book of five raffle tickets to try to sell and further tickets will be on sale at the KS1 performances and from class teachers.

## PTFA Secret Santa



The PTFA are running a Secret Santa event for the children on Thursday 8th December. For £2.50, they will be able to come along to the learning zone and choose a present that they would like to give to a loved one. It will then be wrapped for them to bring home and put under the tree. We are looking for donations of anything that is suitable to be given as a gift – eg. Unwanted gift sets, bags, scarves, candles, jewellery, chocolate, sweets, stationery, photo frames, games.

As we are aware of children who come from families of all shapes and sizes, we are giving the children the opportunity to purchase up to two gifts, but to do this, we will need to know in advance if you would like to buy two. Please could you send a message to your child's class teacher on Class Dojo ONLY if you are planning on your child purchasing two gifts. This will allow the PTFA to ensure we have enough presents.

## Dates for the Diary:

Friday 11th November – Royal British Legion lead Armistice for the school at 11 am.

Reception children see 'Sing 2' at The Old School House in Leyburn

Monday 14th November – Powerdown Pete visits school



Friday 18th November – Children in Need – wear spots or own clothes.

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Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November – years 1 and 2 see '2 by 2 Overboard' at the Old School House in Leyburn



## Christmas begins....

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Nativity

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 nativity

Thursday 8th December – Secret Santa and Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 15th December- KS2 visit St Matthew's and Christmas dinner in school!

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Break up at 2.30 pm

We hope to see you on Sunday at the memorial in Leyburn. We will be laying the wreath but also the poppy pebbles painted by Year 5. Here is one to give you a glimpse of how special they will look.

