

# **Newsletter Friday 25th November**

Dear Parents & Carers,

Christmas is only a month away so we really are on countdown now!

Please read the following from Reverend Gillian Lunn, Assistant Curate - Benefice of Leyburn and Bellerby:

St John's Church is trying something new this year and we'd love your help.

'Posada' (Spanish for 'inn') is a Christmas activity which lasts from the beginning of December until Christmas Eve. A nativity set with Mary and Joseph, and all the characters, a story book and a journal travel around different households in the community and stay there for one night.

People sign up in advance, offering to host Mary and Joseph for a night. It's open to everyone, and lots of people find it's a great way to be involved in the Christmas story.

It's a little bit like when a child gets sent home with something from school to host over the weekend!

Posada is a chance to host Mary and Joseph – to make room for Jesus at Christmas time!

On Christmas Eve, the figures are returned to church, ready to welcome baby Jesus again.



We have the set in school so please contact your class teacher if you would like to host it. It would be good to keep a set of photographs of it in situ so we

#### **Leyburn Christmas Fair**

Please see the poster below, advertising Leyburn Christmas Fair which will be held this Saturday.



#### **Christmas at Tennants**



Children in Year 4 took down our school's decorations and helped to dress the Christmas tree at Tennants' this week. The decorations have all been made by the children so please go and have a look at their handiwork!





#### KS1 Nativity



The children in Y1 and Y2 are working hard learning their songs for our school nativity. The children will be performing the nativity on two afternoons (Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December and Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December). Tickets will be available at £1 each. Each child's family will be allowed 4 tickets initially, so please dojo Mrs Dales or Mrs Dinsdale with your preferred afternoon and how many tickets you would like for that performance.

### Dates for the Diary:



## Christmas begins....

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Nativity 2 pm

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Nativity 2pm

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Secret Santa

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

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