



NEWSLETTER

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PARENTS EVENING

Parent Consultation Evening will take place on Wednesday 27th November with appointments taking place from 2.00pm until 6.00pm. Mr Travers is on a course that day so will hold his parent consultations between 4.00pm and 6.00pm on Wednesday but also between 2.00pm and 4.30pm the previous day. (Tuesday 26th). Most parents have an appointment already, but a number of Y5/6 parents don't as yet. Please contact the school to arrange one.

CHRISTMAS DATES

The Christmas Nativity this year will be 'Fleece Force' which all of Reception, Y1 and Y2 will be involved in. Rehearsals for this have started. This year we will be returning to Caldew's Performing Arts Theatre and the show will take place on **Tuesday 17th December at 1.30pm**. There should be plenty of room for friends and family. Further information about the arrangements and tickets will come on the next newsletter on December 6th.

WILDFLOWER PLANTING

Unfortunately, this had to be cancelled at the last minutes due to the prolonged period of cold weather which was forecast. This would have meant that the frost would have prevented the early growth of these seeds. We hope to liaise with Cumbria Wildlife Trust for other projects later in the year.

FOOTBALL

The football team were in action this morning in the EFL Cup organised by Carlisle United. They acquitted themselves well winning three and losing three of their six games. With teams coming from West Cumbria and the Eden valley, the standard was high and the boys have much to be proud of.

MATHS CHALLENGE DAY

Congratulations to the four mathematicians who took part in Caldew's Maths Day for local schools where they took part in various challenges including the Primary Maths Challenge. Zack Rankine got an impressive 19/25 which meant he was 3rd overall.

SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS

This event will take place next Thursday 28th November and will be for Y5/6. Those involved will be notified on Monday.

PANTOMIME VISITS R, Y1 & Y2: 5th December; Y3 – 6: 12th December

The children will travel to Newcastle Theatre Royal to see a production of ‘The Little Mermaid’ with Infants going on Thursday 5th December and the Juniors going on Thursday 12th December. We will leave school at 12.00pm after an early lunch on both days, arriving in Newcastle for a 2.00pm performance. We will leave Newcastle straight away after the show and it is expected we will be back in Cummersdale by **6.30pm**.

It is always a fantastic day which lasts long in the memory. In order to make the trip as successful as possible, please help with the following:

- Normal school uniform should be worn, but any festive additions are more than welcome
- School will provide drinks, snacks and some sweets which can be consumed on the coach for the children as we appreciate that it is a long time to go without sustenance. The theatre have issued some quite strict guidance for school groups about bringing food into the theatre.
- Children may bring magazines, games or similar to occupy themselves on the journey. **Sadly, we must say that phones, I-Pads or similar must not be taken** as in the past, these have been used inappropriately or even broken. We find that the children are usually quite happy just chatting.
- The school staff have responsibility for all children and each child has been allocated to a member of staff.
- Due to the escalating costs and frantic rush to purchase them, we do not want children to buy fluorescent flashing toys at the theatre. However, you are more than welcome to bring something like that with you if you have one.
- Children do not need to bring any money with them.
- When picking up in Cummersdale after the pantomime, please do not park anywhere near the zig zag lines as the coach needs plenty of room to park so the children can all alight safely.
- *Do bring lots of energy in order to cheer, laugh heartily, boo and hiss!*

Any children not attending the pantomime will come into school as normal and will join other classes for the afternoon.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance remains high (96.95%) despite one or two children feeling under the weather at the moment. Y2 are the best attenders this year with 98.65%, but recently Reception and Year 3, who both got 98.83% this last week are catching them up.

CLASS ASSEMBLY

Y5/6 will be putting on a class assembly based on 'Macbeth' on Friday 29th November at 9.00am.

HOUSE POINTS

Cat Bells continue to lead the way with House Points which will continue this half term, although it is getting very close. The children are working towards a House Treat which could well be at 'Game on' in December.

Cat Bells 1210, Blencathra 1194, Helvellyn 1186, Skiddaw 1119.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

This week's **Pupil of the Week** is **Radley Errington (Y3)** who now settled in Y3 and is showing a super attitude to his work. Last week the award went to **Zachary Johnston (Y6)** for trying hard in all areas.

The **Mrs Vickers Kindness Cup** goes to **Rae Roberts (Y1)** for holding the door open for others with a friendly smile. Last week's award went to **Ben Wake (Rec)** for his kindness to others at playtime.

The **Enjoy-a-ball trophy** goes to **Isaac Pantin (Y5)** for his performance in defence in today's tournament.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

26/11/24	Governors Meeting
27/11/24	Parents Evening
28/11/24	Y5/6 Sports Hall Athletics, Harraby
29/11/24	Y5/6 Class Assembly
3/12/24	Y3/4 Carlisle Cathedral Concert
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5/12/24	Reception, Y1 and Y2 Pantomime Trip to Newcastle Theatre Royal
6/12/24	Cross Country at Lime House (11.45am)
11/12/24	Christmas Dinner Day
12/12/24	Y3,4,5,6 Pantomime Trip to Newcastle
17/12/24	Infant Nativity at Caldew School (1.30pm)
19/12/24	Christmas Party Day (Infants am, Juniors pm)
20/12/24	End of Term (1.15pm)