

This is a final quick newsletter of the term. Christmas festivities are nearing an end at Cummersdale with successful pantomime trips, a Christmas dinner, a nativity, two concerts at Carlisle Cathedral, a Christingle Service and parties taking place. I would like to thank all the staff who have all gone above and beyond to make Christmas special in school. I would also like to thank all of the children who have maintained their excellent standards of behaviour throughout the month to make sure Christmas in school was enjoyable for all.

Finally, on behalf of the staff and governors of the school, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We finish school at **1.15pm** on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December and I look forward to seeing everyone return to school refreshed on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January**.

# CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY

Thank you all for your contributions on Christmas Dinner Day when the children came in non-uniform. The school raised over £225 which has been donated to Eden Valley Hospice.

# **Y3/4 UKELELE LESSONS**

Next half term, Y3/4 will be learning how to play the Ukelele as a class. The sessions will be tught by Cumberland Music Services and Ukeleles are provided. The first session starts during the morning of Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January.

## ATTENDANCE

It has been a good term for attendance with the school's overall attendance rate being 96.9%. Y2 have had consistently high attendance with 98.08% for the term with Reception being the best attenders this half term with 99.1%. Y5 don't like to miss Christmas activities with the best attendance this week of 98.11%. A special mention must go to the 43 children who have had 100% attendance this term. Well done and let's hope we can keep attendance high in 2025!

#### **HOUSE POINTS**

Cat Bells held off the late challenge from other Houses to become House Point Champions of the term. Arrangements are being made for a suitable reward for Cat Bells which will take place in early January.

Cat Bells 1465, Blencathra 1416. Skiddaw 1403. Helvellyn 1377.

### **PUPIL OF THE WEEK**

This week's **Pupil of the Week** is **Aurora Gow (Y2)** who gave a commanding performance as Police Officer Jumper in 'Fleece Force'.

The Mrs Vickers Kindness Cup goes to Mollie Ormerod (Y1) for being kind, friendly and especially helpful at getting people 'logged on'.

The Enjoy-a-ball Trophy goes to Theo Allison (Y4) for his clever strategy whilst playing 'Strat-tig' with Mr Travers.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

20/12/24 End of Term (1.15pm)

6/1/25INSET Day (staff only)7/1/25Term begins

The next newsletter on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January will have all the dates for next term and other updates.