



Friday 30th November 2018

Autumn Term Edition 11

Dear Parents

I have just sat in the hall listening to the rehearsal for our Key Stage 2 Performance, Bah Humbug - it was wonderful to see, (and hear!), the children adopting 'cockney' accents and taking to the stage with such confidence. We would really appreciate it if you could help your child learn their lines over the next few weeks. All the children have their line(s) photocopied so it would be great if a few more of them had practiced these at home before our next rehearsal.

On Monday I met with a man who has mapped out our school grounds to create an orienteering course. Children will be able to use the course in PE lessons and, hopefully, at an afterschool club as well. This project has been fully funded by the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust and we are extremely grateful for their continued support.

Earlier this week a number of teachers and teaching assistants attended a full day Makaton course, learning more signs and having an opportunity to practice them. We continue to teach children throughout school how to sign with Makaton so they may well come home and teach you a few signs too! If you want to join in and learn some signs, Mr Tumble on YouTube is a good place to start.

Finally, congratulations to Mrs McGregor who this week attended her graduation for the National Award for SEN coordination. Mrs McGregor has been juggling teaching, being a mum and studying. Although we knew she had completed the course and passed some time ago, her graduation day took place this week. We are very lucky to have such a highly qualified Special Education Needs Coordinator in school and we look forward to developing this provision in school even further.

Have a lovely weekend, please do come and support our Christmas Fair afterschool today.

Mrs Pearson

REMINDER : Our Wonderful Christmas Fair will take place later today from 3.30pm to 6.00pm. Why not call in and start, carry on or finish that Christmas Shopping whilst supporting your local Community Primary School with fundraising efforts? We look forward to seeing you.

The Selfish Giant On Wednesday 5th December children in Reception and Year 1 will be visiting The Brewery Arts Centre in Kendal to watch 'The Selfish Giant'. Thank you very much to all parents for paying for this trip. We are very pleased that it is able to go ahead! By way of a reminder children will be collected from school, by coach at 9.15am returning to school in time to enjoy lunch. On the day of the visit can parents please ensure that children wear their school uniform, are at school on time, and bring with them a suitable coat for the weather. They will not need a drink and snack for the trip as this will be provided. By way of a reminder, if your child will need any medication whilst on the trip, please ensure that necessary Medical Request forms are completed. These are available from the School Office.

Start of the School Day We are noticing that more and more children are being dropped off at school earlier and earlier. Please note that the school doors open at 8.50am and staff are not on the playground to supervise your children before this time. If you arrive before 8.50am, parents will need to supervise their own children until the doors open. It is great that children are keen to get to school, but we will be monitoring this over the next few weeks and speaking to parents if children are left unsupervised. If you need to drop your child off at school before 8.50am, then please use our Breakfast Club which is open from 8.00am (£4.00 to include Breakfast) or from 8.20am (£2.00 to include a drink).

Water Bottles We encourage children to have a drink regularly throughout the school day. However, a number of children do not have a water bottle in school. This week several children have been using the water fountains which, although designed to be used without a water bottle, are not designed to stop the spread of germs! We have asked children to only use the water fountains to fill up their water bottles, which they can then drink from. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school.

Jammie Dodgers We have been advised that there will be no more 'Jammie' Dodgers until January 2019.

Winter Weather Can we just remind parents to ensure that they send children to school with a coat, hat and gloves. Children thoroughly enjoy being outdoors, but this time of year heads and hands can quickly become chilly! Thank you.

STAY AND LEARN

Classes 1 and 2

Thursday 6th December 2018 from 9.00am – 10.00am

Messy Church

On Saturday 1st December from 2.00pm until 4.00pm at Bentham Methodist Church there will be a 'Messy Church' session. Everyone is welcome to go along and join in this afternoon of fun for all the family.

Keeping Children Safe : Remember, even if you are worried about a child, you can contact the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000 or e-mail help@nspcc.org.uk. The helpline is available 24/7 and calls can be made anonymously.

Ingleton Cricket Club : Christmas Cricket On Friday 28th December from 10.30am to 2.00pm at The Old Sports Hall, QES, Ingleton Cricket Club will be holding a Christmas Cricket Session. For more information please visit www.ingletoncc.play-cricket.com or contact John Hughes on 07814 107952.

IMPORTANT

Please see a separate letter regarding Breakfast Club. Please complete and return the reply slip as soon as possible. Many thanks

FESTIVE CALENDER

Friday 14th December 2018 : Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day
Monday 17th December 2018 at 2.00pm KS2 Christmas Performance for Senior Citizens ONLY.
Tuesday 18th December 2018 at 3pm Christmas Carol Service at Bentham Auction Mart and at 6.00pm Nursery – Year 2 Nativity
Wednesday 19th December 2018 at 2.00pm Nursery-Year 2 Nativity
Wednesday 19th December 2018 at 6.00pm KS2 Christmas Performance
Thursday 20th December 2018 : Beauty and the Beast (years 2,3,4,5 and 6)
Friday 21st December 2018 : Christmas Party Day

What's on next week?

Monday 3rd December 2018
Music Lessons : Mrs Brennan (Flute/Keyboard)
Hearing re-tests : Year 1
Eye Tests : Reception
Class 3 : Godly Play
Knitting at Lunchtime

Tuesday 3rd December 2018
Lunchtime Football with Jordan
Years 3 and 4 : Basketball (PE)
Afterschool Basketball Club with Mark Gunn

Wednesday 5th December 2018
Music Lessons : Mrs Brennan (Flute/Keyboard)
Music Lessons : Mr Hinchcliffe (Accordion)
Reception and Year 1 : The Selfish Giant
Class 5 : Godly Play
1.00pm – 4.00pm Cross Country at Giggleswick School

NO JAMMIE DODGERS

Thursday 6th December 2018
Music Lessons : Guitar : Matthew Annable
9.00am Stay and Learn : Classes 1 and 2
3.30pm Christmas Crafts **NO JIGSAW CLUB**

Friday 7th December 2018
3pm Praise Assembly – All welcome