

Weekly Newsletter

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Beehive Club

The Beehive Club which provides quality affordable childcare provision before and after school is now situated in the Lifelong Learning Centre in front of the main gates on Market Lane. The Breakfast Club operates from 8.00-9.00am and the After School Club from 3.15-6.00pm. If you require further information, please call in to the Club or telephone either 07986673950 or 07979734312.



Special Awards



Year Group Awards were presented today to the following children:

Reception: James Nelson Class RC Year 1: Emily Ridley Class 1A
Year 2: Phillipa Grant Class 2M Year 3: Layla Rae Class 3A
Year 4: Tom Bell Class 4D Year 5: Chloe Cameron Class 5R
Year 6: Robyn Iredale Class 6S

Well done to you all, we are very proud of you.



Class Awards this week were presented to Class 2AW in Key Stage 1 and to Class 5R in Key Stage 2 for their general behaviour at lunchtime.

Attendance: This week's attendance awards were presented to Class 2AW in Reception/Key Stage 1 who achieved 99.60% attendance rate for week ending Friday 2nd December and to Class 3A and 4A both with 98.30% in Key Stage 2. Overall attendance for the school was a fantastic 95.10% - another excellent effort everyone!



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Christmas Productions



Our two respective Christmas productions this week were very special events and extremely well attended. Our youngest children in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 excelled and we were very proud of all the boys and girls. It was rewarding to see all of the hard work during rehearsals pay off. We hope that you too enjoyed the performances and will have captured those one off moments on camera or video to watch over Christmas - essential viewing for sure!

Grand Christmas Raffle Draw

Please remember that all completed ticket stubs, unsold tickets and money for our **Grand Christmas Raffle Draw** should be returned to school by Wednesday 14th December. First prize is £100 of Metro Centre vouchers, second prize a luxury hamper and third prize a giant children's stocking full of goodies. The Draw itself will take place on the morning of Thursday 15th December at 9.30am in the hall.



Goodbye and Good Luck!

Mrs Greenwell has recently decided to relinquish her teaching position at school. She has been a very loyal and dedicated teacher and has always worked extremely hard for our children. She will be clearly missed by all and it goes without saying that we wish her well in what ever she decides to do in the future.



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Coffee Morning every Friday at 9am in our community room. Do come and join us for a cuppa and a chat with your friends.

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Community Carol Service



The annual community carol service takes place next Thursday evening in St Nicholas Church at 6.30pm. This is always a special opportunity for children, staff, parents and friends to come together to celebrate the festive season.

Our school choir will be performing along with children from Dunston Riverside and Kingsmeadow schools. Do come along and join us and make this a true community event.

Christmas Lunch

The children enjoyed their traditional Christmas dinner yesterday and particular thanks must go to the school catering team for preparing and serving so many meals in a relatively short space of time.



Christmas 'Beanies'



Don't forget that we are still selling 'Christmas Beanies' in aid of St Oswald's Hospice. There are two different beanies to choose from priced at £1.50 each: a santa and a snowman.

Christmas Disco Parties

A reminder that it's 'Disco Party' week starting on Monday. Children in Reception and Key Stage 1 can be collected from their classrooms at 11.45pm and need to be returned to the main entrance at 1.15pm in their party outfits. Key Stage 2 children can be collected from the main entrance at 12.15pm and returned at 1.15pm too.

Christmas Dates

Christmas Disco Parties:

Monday 12th December - Years 1 and 2 (pm)

Tuesday 13th December - Years 3 and 4 (pm)

Wednesday 14th December - Years 5 and 6 (pm)

Thursday 15th December - Nursery (am/pm) and Reception (pm)

Community Carol Service in St Nicholas Church: Thursday 15th December at 6.30pm

Christmas Grand Raffle Draw: Thursday 15th December at 9.30am



Sport

Gymnastics: Monday was the last session for our Gymnastics Club this term. It recommences in the new year on Monday 9th January. There are still a few spaces for any interested boys from Year 2 upwards. Any parent who would like their son to attend should see our coach, Julie Brydon, on Monday at the end of school in the hall.



Karate: Our karate club operates on Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 5-6.30pm in the school hall and is open to any of our children. If you are interested in joining do go along to see the instructor, Brian Taylor-Allen.

Business and Enterprise Project



The Smoothie Café run this week by our Year 6 children as part of their Business and Enterprise project with Kingsmeadow School proved very successful and popular and all told they made and sold in excess of two hundred drinks. The three different flavours included: Berry Blast, Chocolate Heaven and Tooty Frooty.

Jars of Grace

This year we are once again supporting St Nicholas' Church **Jars of Grace** appeal in aid of UNICEF's Emergency Fund, which ensures a rapid and effective response to disasters. To support this appeal, all classes will be making their own collections. Please remember to send in any loose change you may have in an envelope marked 'Jars of Grace'.



Where can I recycle my Real Christmas Tree?



Real Christmas trees can be chopped up and recycled in your Green-it bin or taken to Chopwell Woods or the Household Waste and Recycling Centres at Cowen Road, Blaydon or Campground, Wrekenton, up to the 16th January 2012.

School dinner menu next week is **Week 1**.

A reminder that as part of our Healthy School programme, we ask that children do not bring chocolate or fizzy drinks in their packed lunches.

