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Newsletter 6- 2nd December 2022



Dates For Your Diary

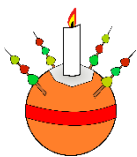


Here are some dates for your diary: -

- 7th December Christmas play at the Village hall. Performance starts at 6pm.
- 12th December – Christingle Service
- 13th December – Multi Skills Festival at Staindrop. Nursery & Reception, 9.30am until 11.30am.
- 14th December Christmas lunch.
- 14th December Christmas jumper day.
- 16th December Panto – Pinocchio at The Georgian Theatre Royal. Return to School between 4.20pm and 4.30pm.
- 19th December Christmas Parties – children can come in their party clothes – food provided. A gift for each child from a special visitor.
- 20th December end of term
- Term starts Thursday 5th January 2023

Christmas Play

Please can all children be at the village hall in their costumes at 5.30pm on Wednesday 7th December. Costumes will be sent home after the dress rehearsal on Tuesday 6th December. We will be practising at the village hall on Monday and Tuesday morning next week so please make sure that your child has appropriate footwear and clothing. On Tuesday the Teesdale Mercury will be coming to take photos for their Christmas edition.



Christingle Service

This year the Christingle service will be held in school on Monday 12th December at 2pm.

All are welcome to come along and join us. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the school hall. We will send home the Christingle collection candles with the children next week. Please return them before the service on Monday 12th December. Thank you.



Pantomime Pinocchio

Please return your consent form if you haven't done so already. There will be no after school club that night as we are due to return back to school between 4.20-4.30pm

The Dales Partnership Facebook Page



The Facebook page shared by the schools is now up and running and you can see it by using the link below. We will update it regularly with information and pictures about what has been happening in school.

<https://www.facebook.com/The-Dales-Partnership-105156162228206>



Parking Outside School

We would just like to remind everyone to park considerately around the school at drop off and picking up times. Please avoid parking too close to junctions and in places which create a hazard for pedestrians and other road users. We appreciate that there is little space to park near school but would appreciate your support to try to improve the situation.

Thank you to all the parents who are able to walk to school for drop off and pick up time. Thank you also to everyone who is helping us by parking considerately.

FOBS Tombola Stall

The friends of the school raised an amazing £168.00. Thank you to the FOBS this will go towards paying for the cost of the bus and refreshments at the pantomime.



Learning Around School

Blackbirds



Robins



Owls

Owls have been getting ready for Christmas. On Wednesday we walked to the post office and posted our letters to Santa. We practiced our Christmas songs in music and we made Christmas cards for the children

to take home and to give to the local care homes. We even had a visit from the Elf as



footprints have been found in the classroom. We suspect that he has been spying on us to make sure that we have been good!!!!

Robins are in the Christmas spirit now. We have been making calendars and Christmas cards to be delivered to local care homes in the area.

Afterschool Clubs

- Monday - Lego
- Tuesday - Art
- Wednesday – Indoor Ball Games
- Thursday - Homework
- Friday - Computers

To book your child into after school club or breakfast club, please send an email to:

butterknowle@durhamlearning.net



Christmas Jumper Swap

It's Christmas jumper swap next week! Please bring into school any unwanted Christmas jumpers. These will be placed on a table at the Infants entrance for all of next week. Just help yourself to a jumper that is available to recycle it and be kinder to the environment.

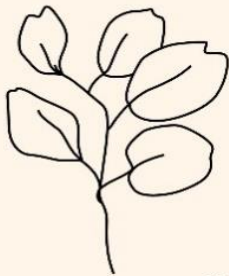


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FINANCIAL CRISIS SUPPORT

FEED THE FAMILY



TCR sessions to access advice and cooking on a budget Thursday from 4 to 6pm

- 13 Oct: Andrew from The Crown
- 3 Nov: Carly from Moment's Café
- 17 Nov: Kenny from Chocolate Fayre
- 1 Dec: to be confirmed
- 15 Dec: to be confirmed

Are you concerned about the cost of living and worried about managing over winter? Come and chat to people in the same situation and access advice on managing your money at our Feed the Family sessions, with Citizen's Advice as well as local chefs who are making a meal for the family at £1 a head. Crafts and games available.

Booking essential at www.tcrhub.co.uk

TCR Hub, Shaw Bank, Barnard Castle DL12 8TD
Phone: 01833 690150



St John's Lynsack and St Mary's Woodland
invite you to their

CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA

Saturday 3rd December 2022

At Butterknowle Village Hall 2-4pm

Pamper yourself with a delicious traditional homemade afternoon tea only £7.50pp

A selection of savouries, cream scones, sweet treats and unlimited tea/coffee await you, together with a complimentary glass of fizz!

Bring a friend, relax and enjoy good company, good food and friendly table service.

Booking is not required but for parties of 6 or more please send a message to our Facebook page so that we can ensure you will be seated together.



There will also be a donation point for local food banks. In true Christmas spirit please give generously.