

3rd - 7th December

Star of the Week

Year 1	Leon F
Year 2	Abbie
Year 3	Britney & Danny
Year 4	Ellie S
Year 5	Ethan O
Year 6	Daisy D

Weekly Attendance League Table

😊 = 100% class attendance
 😊 = best class attendance (not 100%)

R	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
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House Group Winner	Best Class Attendance	Whole School Attendance
Yellow	Y5 100%	94.2% 😞



Tesco Bag Pack:

A big well done to our pupils, staff and parents who spent last Sunday bag packing at Tesco to raise funds for the year 5 children to plan a special trip. There were a huge number of children who showed great commitment by coming along to help. Even more special was the lovely comments from members of the public who remarked upon the excellent manners of our children. An excellent effort that raised over £700 on the day.



City Athletics Final:

The athletics team put in a tremendous effort at Biddick this week when taking on the top 8 schools from Sunderland in the final. We were easily the smallest primary school taking part on the day yet we still managed to put in some outstanding individual performances from both the girls and boys. We finished in a very impressive 5th place, only 4 points away from a top 4 position. Well done everyone.

Extended Schools

We will be sending out new consent forms to apply for our morning clubs next week. As usual, the forms must be returned asap to secure a place/s in the chosen activity, otherwise place/s cannot be guaranteed. For the clubs after school, the consent form will be sent out on Monday 7th January, with the clubs starting Monday 14th January.

A reminder that in order to promote the health and wellness of our children, parents, staff and visitors, Dame Dorothy is a no-smoking site; this includes vaping.

We also ask that parents do not smoke directly outside the school gates as parents and children have to walk through the exit where people are smoking in order to leave the premises.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.



Christmas Concert: A final reminder that our Christmas concert is taking place on Wednesday 12th December from 4pm and tickets are available to buy from the office. It is a very well attended event so please don't delay getting them as they will be sold on a first come first served basis. We also have some former pupils returning to play for us!

Christmas Jumper Day: Time to dust off and wear your novelty Christmas jumpers on Friday 14th to support the Save the Children charity. £1 donations requested please.



Christmas Lunch: The sprouts are peeled and simmering away nicely in readiness for **Thursday's** Christmas Lunch. If your child normally has a packed lunch but would like a dinner this day the cost is £2 to be paid at the office.



National Schools Breakfast Programme



From 14th January 2019, we are delighted to commence our Magic Breakfast incentive. This has come through funding from the Department of Education which school have successfully applied for. To start our new initiative, we will be offering all children the chance to grab a bagel from our new Bagel Bar. This will be situated in the main entrance just outside the existing breakfast club entrance from 8:25am. This will include all children entering our existing Early Birds Club and Mini Pigs Club (these will be taken to the children in the hall once they are changed at 8:45am). All other children are then welcome to pop into the main entrance as they make their way into school for the day. A small basket will also be placed next to the school office for any children after 8:55am. We are very lucky to be able to offer this from Magic Breakfast and hope that all our families will benefit from this new Dame Dorothy initiative.

Choir: The school choir begin their Christmas performances next week when they sing for the residents of our nearby Flats and at Springtide Cove. The people living there look forward to the children visiting and singing for them and it's important too that our young people make a positive contribution to our community.

EYFS Events: The EYFS team are running two Christmas craft sessions on **Tuesday 11th** next week. Nursery parents are welcome to stay in school from 9.10am with parents of the Reception class invited to come along in the afternoon from 1.30pm. EYFS sing along will be on **Friday 14th at 9.30**, all parents and carers welcome.

Mrs Davison: This Friday is the last day at work for our lunchtime assistant Mrs Davison. She has worked with the children over the past two years and is a popular and much loved person with the children. Mrs Davison will be a huge miss and on behalf of staff and pupils we wish her the very best for her new career.



Christmas Dates for the Diary



Tuesday 11 Dec— 10am	Choir singing at the Flats and Spring Tide Cove	Tuesday 18-am	Choir @ Tesco
Wednesday 12 Dec—4pm	Christmas Concert (Ticket only)	Tuesday 18-pm	Y3&4 Party
Thursday 13 Dec	School Christmas Lunch	Wednesday 19—am	EYFS Party
Friday 14 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day	Wednesday 19— 2pm	Y1&2 Nativity
Friday 14 Dec— 9:30am	EYFS Christmas Performance	Thursday 20—am	Christmas Panto
Monday 17—pm	Y1&2 Christmas Party	Thursday 20—pm	Y5&6 Party
Monday 17—4pm	Christmas Disco	Friday 21—1:30pm	School closes
		January 7—8:45	School Re-opens