

## December Newsletter

Towards the end of term there are a lot of events in school.

### Inset Day – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025

### Christmas jumper day- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Children can come to school wearing a Christmas jumper/ outfit. ***There is no need to buy a jumper for the occasion- come in wearing tinsel, looking festive.*** During school time, children can have their face painted and visit Santa.

£1.00 for face painting

£1.50 to see Santa

Please complete the attached form and return it to school as soon as possible. Please contact school if you would like any support with costs.

### Concerts

Our school hall can be very busy on concert day so to make sure all parents and carers and the wider family can come to the concert, please find the dates, and times, of concerts below:

#### **Reception: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December- morning session:**

Class 4- 9.30a.m. The concert will start prompt at 9.30a.m.

Class 5- 10.00a.m The concert will start prompt at 10.00a.m.

#### **Year 1 : Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December- afternoon session:**

Class 1 - 1.30p.m The concert will start prompt at 1.30p.m

Class 2 - 2.00p.m The concert will start prompt at 2.00p.m

Class 3 - 2.30p.m The concert will start prompt at 2.30p.m

## **Year 2 : Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December- afternoon session:**

Class 7 and 9- 1.45p.m The concert will start prompt at 1.45p.m

Class 8 - 2.30 p.m The concert will start prompt at 2.30p.m

## **Singing at Hawthorns Care Home and Poppy Dene- 20 Year 2 children**

On the morning of Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, twenty children will visit Hawthorns care home to sing carols for the residents. The children will travel to and from the home by minibus.

On the morning of Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December, twenty children will visit Poppy Dene care home to sing carols for the residents. The children will travel to and from the home by minibus.

The consent forms you completed previously will cover the visits.

## **Christmas parties**

Children can come to school dressed in their party clothes.

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December- Classes 1, 2, 4 and 5

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December - Classes 3,7,8 and 9

## **Christmas Lunch- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas lunch will be served on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. If your child usually brings a packed lunch and you would like them to have a dinner on this day, please let the school office know by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Thank you.

## **Festive Run – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

Children will take part in the Festive Run with Easington Sports Partnership. Children can come into school wearing outdoor PE kit as it will take place outdoors (weather permitting). They can also wear optional festive accessories such as hats and tinsel. Please also bring school uniform to change into if needed.

## **School times**

All children in school start at 8.45a.m. and finish at 3.15p.m. Doors are open every morning until 8.50a.m.

Children arriving after these times on a morning will be marked as late. Phonics sessions start straight away every morning.

<b>In a school year , if your child is late every day by....</b>	<b>Your child would have lost</b>	<b>Or missed approximately</b>
5 minutes	3.5 days from school	20 lessons
10 minutes	7 days from school	41 lessons
15 minutes	10 days from school	55 lessons
20 minutes	14.5 days from school	82 lessons
30 minutes	22 days from school	123 lessons

### **Support for families**

Please remember, as a school, we can offer support with food parcels, uniform and much more. Please do not hesitate to contact school on 0191 5864437 or email [acrerigginfants@durhamlearning.net](mailto:acrerigginfants@durhamlearning.net) if you need additional support.

### **After school clubs**

Just a reminder, after school clubs finish on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December. New clubs will start in January, you will receive a letter with new club lists.

### **End of school**

Children break up for Christmas on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Children can be collected from 1p.m, school will be open until 3.15 as normal. Children return to school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

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