



NEWSLETTER

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Dates for your diary

- 4th December
Christingle
St Cuthbert's
Church 4pm
- 5th December
Assembly Rev K
Heathcoat
- 7th December
KS1 Christmas
Pottery Night
- 7th December
Last Football Club
this term
- 8th December
KS2 Christmas
Pottery Night
- 9th December
Woolly Jumper Day
SEGG
School Christmas
Dinner
- 13th December
Byland's
Angel Express
Sessay Village Hall
6pm
- 14th December
Christmas Party Day
- 15th December
Christmas in Church
1.30pm
Refreshments in
School
- 16th December
School Closes 2pm
- 4th January
School re-opens

Exciting Developments

Over the Christmas break (weather permitting) work is going to start to remove the condemned outdoor play equipment. Fundraising is still continuing to replace the equipment and hopefully by spring we will be in a position to talk with the children on what they would like and where the best place is to position it.

Now the exciting bit.....a grant has been secured to build a covered outdoor stage; this was originally an idea mentioned last year by some members of 'Epic Improvers' one of our Pupil Voice Groups. An opportunity for funding arose and we were successful in our bid. The possibilities for uses of the stage to enhance the creative flair of the children are endless - playtimes, outdoor drama lessons, assemblies and show and tell. Fingers crossed the work will be completed over the Christmas holidays so that we can begin using it in the New Year.



Last Friday a group of singers were in Thirsk taking part in the 'switch on' of the Christmas lights. The event was a huge success and enjoyed by all who took part. The children were accompanied by Mrs Pollard and Mrs Harker and once again we are really grateful to them for giving our children this opportunity. The singing practices in school highlighted the start of the Christmas celebrations!



Earlier this week a letter was sent home regarding behaviour in some areas of school. We just want to reassure you those incidents that prompted us to write the letter concern a small proportion of pupils but felt it was important to let you know the steps we are taking to raise standards. Thank you for the positive comments which we have received from parents in regard to this. The 'Respect' assemblies have been positive and lots of children have been collecting merits in their 'values' books – well done!

Christmas Party Day

Wednesday 14th December

The plans this year are for a whole day of fun and exciting activities, with Jack & the Beanstalk, film fun, party games & a mini disco.

Everyone is welcome to come to school on the day with their party clothes on. Small donations of snacks and drinks for them to enjoy in class would be very welcome.

Don't forget that this Sunday is the very popular Christingle Service in St Cuthbert's Church at 4pm. Christingle services have been taking place for over 45 years. Each piece of the Christingle holds special symbolism to help children understand the importance of Jesus and the Gospel and its relevance at Christmas time. It is a wonderful start to the festive period.

Please come along and join the celebrations.

