

Bedale Church of England Primary School Newsletter



Newsletter Date: 23rd November 2018

Dates for your Diary

Mon 26th Nov

Flu Immunisation
for Pupils from
EYFS-Year 5

Girls Football
Tournament
Dobson's Field

Tues 27th Nov

Individual Pupil
Photographs

Fri 30th Nov

FSG Christmas
Fair—2.00 pm—
4.00 pm

Mon 3rd Dec

EYFS/Y1/Y2 Elf
Day

Fri 7th Dec

Christmas Lunch &
Jumper Day

Mon 10th Dec

Y2 Christmas Songs
to Parents
2.30 pm

Tuesday 11th Dec

EYFS Christmas
Production
2.00 pm & 6.00 pm

Thurs 13th Dec

Year 1 Christmas
Production 2.00 pm
& 6.00 pm

Dear Parents/Carers

Great excitement our fundraising effort for Children in Need was announced on Radio 2. Fame indeed! I think our total of £528.35 raised was a school record. Many thanks to all of you for supporting the school with this worthy cause.

It was wonderful to see some of our Year 3 and Year 4 children read so confidently at the Remembrance service held at St Gregory's Church on Sunday 11th November. The church was extremely full and our pupils did a sterling job. I hope some of you have managed to see the beautiful poppy art work displayed in the Co-op produced by our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils. Well done and thank you also to Mrs Brown for organising this.

Last Wednesday I had the pleasure of taking our school swimming team to the local gala. They were truly amazing, swimming like fish and showing the best of attitudes. Congratulations must go to Elodie, Katie-Jo, Phoebe, Ella, Harry, Aston, Remy and Oliver.

This week our pupils have had assessments in reading and maths. This helps our teachers check they are making good progress and also see where the children have any specific gaps in their learning. We will be in touch with you shortly to inform you how your child is progressing.

A final plea, if you need to see your child's class teacher please can you ring the office to make an appointment rather than talk to them before school. Registers need to be taken and returned to the office as swiftly as possible so that we can check all children are safe and accounted for.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Turnbull, Head Teacher

CAR PARKING

Thank you for your consideration when parking on Firby Road before and after school.

REMINDER

Please can we remind parents to ensure your child's hair is tied up to avoid the spread of head lice, especially with the Christmas parties approaching.

CHRISTMAS FAIR ARRANGEMENTS

Your child will have a separate letter explaining in detail our Christmas Fair arrangements on Friday 30th November.

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS—EYFS AND YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2 CHRISTMAS SONGS

Due to numbers, tickets for these productions will be limited to 2 tickets per family per performance.

NON UNIFORM DAY

We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 21st December with a suggested donation of £1.00 in aid of Cancer Research. This Charity has been voted for by our children



FRIENDS SUPPORT GROUPS FESTIVE RAFFLE

You will have been sent home tickets for the annual FSG Christmas Raffle. Prizes on offer include Black Sheep Brewery tour, Wensleydale Railway tickets, Big Sheep Little Cow, Camp Hill Footgolf, Camp Hill Season Pass, Brymor Vouchers, Masons Gin, Clay Pigeon Shoot, Heck Sausages vouchers, Rhubarb & Roses gift set, Inspired Chocolate Reindeer, Advent candy cane countdown wreath, Lollipop advent countdown wreath, Monopoly, Bakeware Set, Black fleece, NUID skinny tan set, Empire Cinema tickets, Barkers of Northallerton voucher, Daisy Doodle Paint a Pot, Paul Rutter Opticians (Joules sunglasses), Bedale Beauty Voucher, Middlesbrough FC Stadium Tour, Treetop Nets Voucher, Corner House Hotel Voucher, Lucy Pittaway items. The raffle will be drawn on 14th December.

Reception News

Thank you for all of your support for Children In Need; the children had a wonderful day.

We are busy learning the songs for the nativity and are really looking forward to our Elf day. If you have any questions regarding either event please pop in.

It's that time of year when we have lots of hats, scarves and gloves in the cloakroom. The children don't always remember which ones belong to them and it would greatly help if all items were named.

The children are all working really well and making excellent progress. We feel proud of the way they are settling into school life.

The children worked really hard last week creating poppy wreaths in class. We had a special service in the Spiritual garden in school where we laid them.

Year 1/2 News

This week the children have done a fantastic job with their assessments, showing great progress already since September. Please continue to read with your child at home and help them with their maths targets which you will find in their reading diaries.

The children have enjoyed talking about places they have visited and finding them on maps in Topic. Thank you for spending time at home talking about this with them.

Year 2 will be performing their Christmas sing a long on Friday 7th December to the school and on Monday 10th December to parents. Your child is welcome to wear a Christmas jumper for both occasions.

Year 3/4 News

We are delighted to tell you that the children's art work currently displayed in Co-Op in Bedale was featured in a lovely write up in the Darlington and Stockton Times last week. The article also mentioned the children's involvement in the Service of Remembrance at St Gregory's Church. We are very proud of our super readers who read so beautifully to a packed church, and those children who wrote the prayers and poems that were chosen to be read during the service.

In our English lessons we explored this year's Anti-bullying theme of choosing respect and wrote a letter to Andy and the Odd Socks (CBBC) to tell them all about how we choose respect in class, around school and in the wider world. The children had so many examples of when they had been respectful that they had to choose only their favourites for inclusion! Fingers crossed we will have knocked Andy's (odd) socks off and we'll win the visit from him and his band!

Along with the rest of the school, we have been busy with our Autumn term assessments. The children can be very proud of how they've approached these and shown off what they're capable of.

Year 5/6 News

We have also been following up our Rivers topic with some Design and Technology work on bridges, making models using art straws. Later, we will be testing these for strength. Photos should be available on our school blog and facebook page by the time this newsletter goes out so please head over to take a look. Thank you.

WELL DONE!

Well done to Isobel Allinson who has been selected for the English National Karate Championships and the British 4 Nation Championships! Good luck!

OPEN EVENINGS

Thank you so much to everyone who attended our open evenings last half term. I hope you found your meeting with your child's class teacher beneficial. Thank you also to all of you who took the time to complete our survey. We are delighted with the positive outcomes, and hope to continue to build on the positive start that has been made this term.

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PARENTS OCTOBER 2018—BASED ON 176 SURVEYS RETURNED	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know
My child is happy at this school	82%	18%			
My child feels safe at this school	84%	16%			
My child makes good progress at this school	84%	15%	1%		
My child is well looked after at this school	87%	13%			
My child is well taught at this school	90%	10%			
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	74%	22%	1%		3%
This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	76%	22%		1%	1%
This schools deals effectively with bullying	52%	21%	4%		23%
This school is well led and managed	82%	17%			1%
This school responds well to any concerns I raise	69%	22%	1%		8%
I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	77%	21%	2%		
I would recommend this school to another parent	86%	13%			1%