



Diary Dates

Bewick Bridge Community Primary

School

Dear Parents/Carers,

December is just around the corner and we have lots on in school over the coming weeks; school is already abuzz with the excitement of fair, performances and trips! It has been amazing to see the KS1 and EYFS pupils practising so hard for their performances this week. I'm sure many parents will be very familiar with the songs by now! It would be excellent for as many of you as possible to join us in celebrating their hard work at the performances over the next two weeks.

Of course, the fair is being held on the 7th December and there has been serious planning, preparation and excitement this week. All the staff have been working really hard to plan the event - please do try to attend to show your support and celebrate with us. Please take a look at all of the details of the exciting events taking place in school over the next two weeks so you don't miss anything and so we can all enjoy this period as much as possible.

Kind regards

Mr Richardson
Assistant Headteacher

6th December

Christmas Lunch
Cinderella Pantomime
Christmas Jumper Day

Reception Christmas Performance

Wednesday 12th December 9:30

Thursday 13th December 2:00

KS1 Christmas Performance

Wednesday 5th December 2:00

Thursday 6th December 9:30

Christmas Fayre

Friday 7th December



Stars of the Week



The following children are our Stars of the Week this week, and were presented with certificates in our Celebration Assembly today.

Wrens – Sadhana

Robins – Camille

Jays – Kacie & Paige

Kingfishers – Niranjana

Woodpeckers – Sebastian

Hérons – Pauline

Goldcrests – Emese

Lapwings – Alanah

Buzzards – Adar

Christmas Lunch, Christmas Jumpers and Panto 6th December

If you would like your child to have Christmas lunch on Thursday please book online via Live Kitchen. If you do not yet have an account please contact the school office. We will all be having lunch together and there is a choice of turkey or a vegetarian option. Please be assured that children who prefer to have packed lunch will be sitting with their class to enjoy the festivities.

As mentioned in the last newsletter we would be grateful for contributions of **£2.00 per child** for the Cinderella Pantomime. You can pay cash to the school office or pay online via SIMS Agora.

The Science of Santa

This week, we launched a whole school competition called 'The Science of Santa'. The children have been invited to use their imaginations as well as their maths, technology, geography and science learning to develop a hypothesis for how Santa delivers all the gifts to those who need them across the world. In a whole school assembly, we looked at the book 'Just a Second' by Steve Jenkins to develop our ability to look at time in different ways. For instance, in one second a hummingbird can beat its wings 50 times. In class we have developing our hypotheses. Some of our current ideas include elf workshop branches on each continent, time travel, teleportation, condensation, time dilation and some very sophisticated sleighs. The **competition is open until Thursday 13th December** and all entries should be handed to the class teacher.

Competitions winners for Reception, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 will be announced on Tuesday 18th December. Entries can take a variety of forms including, but not limited to, a model sleigh, a diagram, mathematical calculations or a written explanation.



COMPETITION: The Science of Santa
Prizes for Reception, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2

Entries in to class teachers by
13th December
Finalists selected on 14th
December
Winners announced on 18th
December

With thousands of miles to travel and millions of children to visit, how does Santa manage to deliver all the presents?

Use your science, geography, maths and technology learning as well as your imagination to explain how Santa gets the job done.

Attendance

Week ending - 30th November 2018

Dippers – 96.5 %

Wrens – 100 %

Robins – 93.8 %

Jays – 100 %

Kingfishers – 95.6 %

Woodpeckers – 97.6 %

Herons – 94.7 %

Goldcrests – 91.7 %

Lapwings – 93.1 %

Buzzards – 97.7 %

What to do if your child is unwell

It is important to inform the school if your child is going to be absent. On the **first day** and **all subsequent days** you need to contact the school office. You can:

Call
01223 508772

01223 508774

E-mail
office@bewickbridge.com

Please give NAME, CLASS and a CLEAR REASON for absence

Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance

We have already had many parents order their tickets for the Key Stage 1 Christmas performances next week. If you haven't already, please could you book your 2 tickets by Monday 4pm as any tickets after this time will be open to other family members to come and watch. Please use the link below to book your tickets. We hope you're looking forward to watching the performance!

<https://bbcps.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>

Cherry Hinton Christmas Lights

On Saturday 1st December, Cherry Hinton Library will host the Christmas light switch on. The Mayor of Cambridge will switch on the lights and there is an opportunity for children to meet Santa followed by mince pies, hot chocolate and Christmas Carols. It would be nice to see lots of Bewick Bridge families attend.



Christmas Fayre 7th December, 3:45pm to 5:30pm

Please think of us this week when you are shopping and baking as we are aiming to have a full cake stall. We can accept donations from Thursday via the classroom or the school office.

We are still in need of wine bottles. If anyone has a spare bottle of wine (full or empty with a screw top lid) please drop it off at the school office.

Tickets for Father Christmas will go on sale from the school office from 3rd December. Tickets will be £2.50 and include a small gift and a picture with Father Christmas. As with last year we will run a timed, ticket system to reduce queueing. Tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis from the school office. As we no longer hold cash in

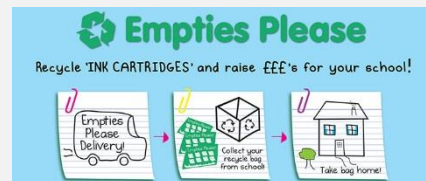
Milk Bottle Tops

For some time we have been collecting milk bottle tops for Arthur Rank Hospice. In the hope that you will support the collection we will have a collection point outside the school office.



Empties Please

We are working with the company 'empties please' who collect and recycle used ink and toner cartridges. There are two collection points outside the school office where you can drop off any empty ink and toner cartridges you have. Each item recycled, Empties Please will donate funds to the school which will be used to buy new books for our library!



school we will not be able to give change so correct money will be much appreciated.

We have a few stall spaces left – please contact the school office on 01223 508772 if you would like one.

Term Dates

Autumn 2018

Tuesday 4th September to Wednesday 19th December

Term finishes on 19th December, 2018

Spring Term 2019

Thursday 3rd January to Friday 5th April, 2019

Half-term 18th February - 22nd February

School Training Day: 25th February School Closed

Pupils return on 26th February

Term finishes on Friday 5th April

Summer 2019

Tuesday 23rd April - Wednesday 24th July

School Training Day: 23rd April School Closed

Pupils return to school Wednesday 24th April

May Day: 6th May, 2019 School Closed

Half-term 27th May - 31st May School Closed

Pupils return to school on 3rd June

The last day of the Summer term is 24th July, 2019
