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### PTA Christmas Fair

A huge thank you to the PTA who once again organised a wonderful Christmas Fair! Thank you to the parents and members of the community who were able to join us on the day; the children loved sharing their Christmas songs with you all.



### Football at St. Bega's School

What a wet and windy day for our football! But this definitely did not dampen our spirits and we had a great time, especially with getting extremely muddy! A big thank you to St. Bega's School who hosted a brilliant football tournament with some very fun warm-up activities, which included diving in the mud!



## School Play

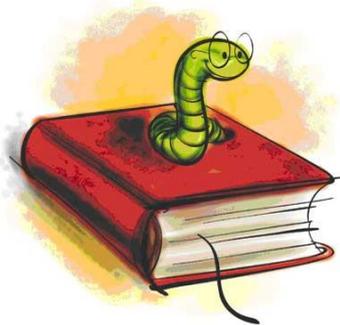
On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December at the Beggar's Theatre, classes 1 and 2 will be performing their Christmas play and class 3 will be performing their Shakespeare performance. Your child will be sent home with their bag of under clothes; please can you bring your child to the Beggar's Theatre with these on. We will then add the rest of their costume when they arrive. You can arrive any time from 5:30pm so we can be ready to start our performances at 6pm. We hope you all have your tickets and are looking forward to it as much as we are!

## Illness

Quick reminder that if your child has the diarrhoea and/or vomiting illness, you **MUST** keep them off school for 48 hours **AFTER** the resolution of symptoms, which ensures that the illness is no longer contagious. Thank you for your understanding.

## Reading

Listening to your child read at home really does make a huge difference! We aim to listen to your child at school at least once weekly, but as you can imagine, this can be quite difficult at times to fit into an already busy day. To encourage your child to read more at home, we have introduced a reward system to classes 2 and 3. In the back of your child's planner there is a reward grid, where your child will earn a sticker to place on this grid. To earn a sticker, they need to have read 5 times that week at home (independently or to an adult) and an adult to have signed their planner each time. On a Monday we will check your child's planner from the previous week to see whether they have earned a sticker. Once they have earned 3 stickers, they can choose a reward from the class' treat pot! It would be fantastic if you could support and encourage your child with this! Thank you!



## Christmas Services at Waberthwaite and Corney Church

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Please do come along to one of the Christmas celebrations at St John's Waberthwaite or St John the Baptist Corney.

A special invitation to the Carols at St John's Waberthwaite- an extra service this year. The chance for a good sing followed by mulled wine and Christmas nibbles.

November 30th	1.45	Christingle at Muncaster
December 9th	6.00	Carols at Corney
December 16th	6.00	Carols at Waberthwaite
December 24th	4.00	Crib Service at Waberthwaite
Christmas Day	9.30	Holy Communion at Waberthwaite



### Facebook Consent

If you haven't done so already, please could you send in the slip indicating whether you give consent to photos of your child being put on Facebook. If you need another form, please contact school and we will send another form home with your child. Thank you!

### Parental Contributions

We have some exciting trips coming up before Christmas that the children are really looking forward to. For these trips to happen, we ask for a small parental contribution that goes towards the cost of the trip. It would be very much appreciated, if you haven't done so already, and are happy to support these trips, that you send your child in with a contribution towards these. Thank you!

### Parental Questionnaires

A quick reminder about parental questionnaires - please complete these and send them into school with your child. It really helps give us an idea on your thoughts about us as a school. Thank you!

### Parent Survey

In January 2018, the 'Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools' (SIAMS) qualified Waberthwaite C of E School as 'Good'. The purpose of the SIAMS inspection is to judge the school's effectiveness as a Church of England school. The inspector visits a range of lessons (certainly not just R.E.) plus events such as Collective Worship, and generally forms a judgement on life at the school, particularly regarding the extent to which our Christian ethos translates into actual practice on an everyday basis. One of the areas where we needed to improve was around involving the whole school family in the regular cycle of self-evaluation so that all views can influence and support the development of the school's Christian character.

We would really appreciate 5 minutes of your time to complete a very brief survey on your thoughts around our Christian character. The survey is anonymous and we'll look to share the output once we've understood collective views. The survey can be accessed with the following link

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SYNPZRC> or by using the following QR code if your smartphone or tablet has a QR reader.



### Applying for a place in Reception

School admissions are now open for parents of children expecting to enter Reception in September 2019 to apply for a school place. Leaflets explaining what to do are available from the school office, or [www.cumbria.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/schooladmissions). The closing date for applications is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2019**.

### Achievements

Well done to the winners of both the 'burgundy jumper' and 'good to be green' this week. These are:

Class 1 - Isaac and April

Class 2 - Maisie and Jude

Class 3 - Eve and Lucy

**School dates for your diary**

9<sup>th</sup> December - Carols at Corney Church 6pm

11<sup>th</sup> December - Whole school at the Beggar's Theatre for Christmas play rehearsal

13<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Play at the Beggar's Theatre, Millom, 6pm

16<sup>th</sup> December - Carols at Waberthwaite Church 6pm

17<sup>th</sup> December - Class 3 last swimming session

- Christmas Dinner

20<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Celebration 1:30pm at the village hall

21<sup>st</sup> December - Finish for the Christmas holidays at 1:30pm

24<sup>th</sup> December - Crib Service at Waberthwaite Church 4pm

25<sup>th</sup> December - Holy Communion at Waberthwaite Church 9:30am

8<sup>th</sup> January - Back to school

Kind regards,

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