



Micklefield C.E. (VC) Primary... 'a GOOD school', SIAMS 2016

# Newsletter



**Autumn themes: Getting on and falling out; forgiveness**

*'Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Matthew 6:12*

19<sup>th</sup> December 2018

## Christmas is coming!

Time has gone so quickly and Christmas is almost here. Thank you so much for all your kind words, thoughts and wishes, they are very much appreciated. I will certainly miss you and your children. Thank you for your support for the staff and myself, it has been a privilege to work with you and I wish you all a bright and peaceful future. It was lovely to see so many of you come into school to watch the Family Unit and Class 2 children perform their Christmas play. We were very proud of all the children from Pre-Nursery, Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 who spoke and sang so well. Thank you to parents who provided costumes and props.

## Micklefield Children's Choir

The choir has been busy practising and performing this half-term. They sang in our Advent Service at St. Mary's Church; outside Wetherspoons in Garforth, together with choirs from other local primary schools; at Pinderfields Hospital with Father David and also at our Musical Celebration afternoon. They will be singing in the Christingle Carol Service at St. Mary's Church this Thursday.

## Micklefield Junior Band

We have been pleased to see our brass players doing so well this term. It was great to see them join the brass band from St. Patrick's RC Primary School at our Musical Celebration and at St. Patrick's Christmas Carol Service. We always enjoy hearing the bands playing together. Thanks to Mr. Bland and Mr. Bailey for organising these joint events.

## New additions to the playground

A shade sail and tractor have arrived in the playground to enhance our provision for our Early Years children, particularly Pre-Nursery. The equipment and installation was funded by the last of our Pre-Nursery set-up grant. We are sure that the shade will be very welcome if we have another summer as hot as it was in 2018.

## Courageous Advocacy

As part of our Church School life, we often collect money to help others and make a difference where we can. In the SIAMS inspection this is now a part of what is referred to as Courageous Advocacy – speaking out and making changes to our world where we see injustice.

This term, you have raised:

£110 for Children in Need

£203.20 for the Royal British Legion through the poppy collection

£90 for the children in Tanzania

as well as giving to the Children's Society with your Christingle collection boxes this week.

A big THANK YOU goes to everyone!

## Attendance

Attendance for all classes is just over 90% this term. There has been a lot of illness, particularly since the half-term break. Hopefully, attendance percentages should rise in the Spring term as we shake off the bugs.

**The target attendance is 95%.**

Class	Sept - Dec
Family Unit	90%
Class 2	93%
Class 3	92%
Class 4	92%