

# **Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School**

Newsletter

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Dear Parents & Carers,

'Whoops a Daisy Angel' was a resounding success! Our thanks to our wonderful audiences, staff and of course the children who were all superstars (especially the children who were on stage for the very first time!) We were so proud of them and the way they brought one of our curriculum aims 'We are creators' to life!

Further Christmas events are planned for next week – starting with the pantomime on Tuesday. Please make sure you send your child with a packed lunch if you have not already ordered one from the School Office. We plan to return to Hunton at the later time of 5pm. We also have the Christingle service (Covid restrictions permitting) to look forward to on Wednesday at St Patrick's Church – please return permission slips. Finally, Christmas party day on Thursday! We will all be ready for a holiday this time next week.

Christmas Lunch was a resounding success – a big thanks to Miss Whittaker who served (and washed up after!) sixty five Christmas lunches.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mr. Donaldson

## **Christmas Jumper Day**

Thank you for the donations towards 'Save the Children' for Christmas Jumper Day. You can still donate via the Just Giving Page (see the QR code on the original letter!)

Just another way our children are change-makers and making life better for everyone!

#### **Christmas Parties**

Our Christmas Party will take place on Thursday afternoon. Children do not need to bring food into school with them as we will have lunch as normal. They may wear party clothes all day!

#### **Team Points**

The overall termly team point winner is Middleham! Children from Middleham team may wear their own clothes next Friday. If you aren't sure which team your child is in, please speak to their teacher.

#### Let's Celebrate! This week our teachers have chosen anyone from anywhere for Caring - Aspiring - Excelling Miss Pole Mrs Saunders Mr Cope Mr Donaldson Mrs Crome Hawke Charlie Jude L Caring - Aspiring Lily Penelope Poppy - Excelling **Robin Class** Kingfisher Class Partridge Class Woodpecker Class (Rec/Y1) (Y2)(Y3/4)(Y5/6)Writer of the **Felicity** Sophie R Kirsty George Week Mathematician Penelope Fearne Isaac **Emily** of the Week Tidy Classroom Partridge Team Point Middleham Winners

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When?	What?	Who?	How?
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Darlington Hippodrome Pantomime	Everyone	Details sent
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle @ Patrick Brompton 6pm	Everyone	Details sent
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Party & Craft Morning	Everyone	Details on
			newsletter
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas Holiday	Everyone	N/A
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Staff Training Day	All	N/A
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Spring Term Starts	All	N/A

## Around the Classes...

**Robin Class:** Robins have achieved great things this week. Performing on stage in front of a large crowd can be a daunting task - they all were amazing! We have been learning other things too... We have investigated reptiles in science and have been working out how to sort a large collection of different animals into their categories. We are steadily working our way through even more sounds and words in phonics.

Kingfisher Class: Kingfisher Class have had a very successful week – lending their backing vocals as angelic angels for the Robin Class nativity – they were wonderful role models for the younger children. In our maths lessons we have continued to sharpen our addition and subtraction skills, including in problem solving and in English the children enjoyed making peppermint creams and then revising their instruction skills. I am so proud of all of the wonderful things Kingfisher Class have achieved this term!

**Partridge Class:** We have had another busy week in Partridge Class! In English we have become journalists this week, using our questioning skills to uncover the events which happened on Christmas Eve 2020. We have used what we found out to write a newspaper article. We have been very lucky this week to be able to watch Robin and Kingfisher's nativity. We were very impressed, and all want to say another big well done to both classes! As well as this, we all enjoyed a delicious Christmas lunch on Wednesday. We have had a fantastic week and are all excited for the pantomime, Christingle and other events next week!

Woodpecker Class: Woodpecker Class have continued to keep up the hard work as we count down to the Christmas holidays. We have been adding and subtracting fractions in maths, while in English we have continued to work on writing speech based on our new text 'Kensuke's Kingdom'. ON Monday, we had a game of Ultimate Frisbee on the Village Green and on Tuesday were lucky enough to watch the Robins and Kingfishers perform their fabulous nativity 'Whoops a Daisy Angel!'

### **Lunches**

Why not try one of delicious school lunches provided by our new meals provider, Taylor Shaw? The menu is too vast (and tasty!) to include on our newsletter but can be found on the school website: <a href="http://huntonarrathorne.n-yorks.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Autumn-Menu-HA.pdf">http://huntonarrathorne.n-yorks.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Autumn-Menu-HA.pdf</a>