

Newsletter — 19th December 2014

Welcome to our last newsletter of 2014! We have had a very busy and fruitful term in school. Over the last two weeks we have enjoyed lots of festive activities in school.

On Wednesday 10th December we had our Christmas lunch in school. Thank you to the kitchen staff for providing us with a lovely meal!

We hope that you enjoyed our Christmas Concert 'Gold, Frankincense and Mirth!' which was held at Bishop Auckland Methodist Church on Friday 12th December. I am sure that you will agree that all our children were fantastic and we thank you for your support. Thank you also for your contributions towards transport costs through ticket sales, this is much appreciated.

On Sunday 14th December Mrs Meadows and I took a group of children to sing at St Paul's Church Witton Park for its Carol Service. Thank you very much to the children who came along: Rachel S, Britney K, Romana H, Katie K, Jamie-Lee B, Evie-Mae B, Lucy M, Kate M, Kaine R, Leah R, Lara R, Macey D, Brianna T and Amelia W. Members of the church commented on how wonderful they were! Thank you to parents for your support too..

Christmas parties have taken place on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. The children thoroughly enjoyed their party games, food and dancing. Thank you to parents for their kind donations of party food; these were much appreciated.

On Tuesday we had Durham Service Music Brass Band in school to perform a concert for the children. The children sang and clapped along to Christmas songs and familiar tunes as well as learning about the instruments that make up a brass band.

On Thursday 18th December the whole school watched a pantomime performance of Puss in Boots. The children (and Staff!) really enjoyed the performance and we thank the PTA for funding this and for the selection boxes for each child. Thank you to the PTA also for organising the Christmas Disco and Raffle. Thank you to all parents for their donations of prizes for the hampers.

We wish you all a very Happy Christmas and the very best for 2015 and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 5th January when school re-opens.

Best Wishes

Wendy Gill & Staff

REMINDERS...

Head Lice: Several parents have reported to us that their child has had head lice. If, over the holidays all parents could check their child's hair for head lice and treat if necessary, we might come back in January with a 'clean' start! Thank you.

After School Clubs are not available on the first week back after the holidays. These will recommence from Monday 12th January 2015 onwards. Thank you.



Congratulations



Star of the Week Award

15th December 2014

Class Nominations

Reception	Amber C
Class 1	Aimee S
Class 2	Joey D
Class 3	Alfie J
Class 4	Deyla A
Class 5	Beau B
Class 6	Molly R

Superstar of the Week!

***Joey D ***

Well Done!

Class Attendance Award

For week ending 05/12/14

Reception Class & Class 3

99.3%

Well Done!

Class Attendance Award

For week ending 12/12/14

Class 2

98.7%

Well Done!

Rights Respecting Award

November & December 2014

Nominations

Class 1	Ethan R
Class 2	Chloe B
Class 3	James D
	Kaine R
	Aaron B
Class 5	McKenzie S
Class 6	Zak L
	Ava B
	Elizabeth D
	Ben D

Overall winners for November & December 2014

Zak L & Chloe B

Well Done!

Termly Attendance Award

Number of times each class has won the weekly award:

Reception	2
Class 1	1
Class 2	3
Class 3	6
Class 4	0
Class 5	4
Class 6	2

We await the final figures for this week but we can safely say that Year 3 are our Termly Attendance Award winners.

Well Done Year 3!

We also have 61 children across the whole school who have 100% attendance for this term. The children have been congratulated in assembly and received a sticker.

Well Done!