



December 2021 Newsletter



The season of advent is finally here and as some of you may have seen this morning, a special visitor has arrived at school! When planning for our celebrations this year we have been closely monitoring the Covid19 situation in the local area and have regularly consulted the latest guidance from Northumberland County Council. Following many lengthy discussions in school, we have made the decision to go ahead with our Christmas performances. We have had to make some changes to our previous arrangements but we wanted our families to be able to join us for some festive fun. We hope you understand that any decisions we make are not taken lightly and it is the safety of the children and staff that remains our priority. We would like to thank you for your continued support and understanding and we hope that this Christmas will be a wonderful time for our whole school community.

Mrs Lizzie Jackson

Christmas Performances

This year our Christmas performances will take place on the school yard. Unless there is torrential rain, we will wrap up warm and share with you our best singing voices! Should the weather make it impossible for us to be outside, performances will be filmed in school and will be shared with families.

Thursday 9th December Year 1 & 2 9:15am

Year 3 & 4 9:45am

Monday 13th December Nursery 9:15am

Tuesday 14th December Reception 9:15am



We would kindly request that guests are limited to 2 per family and ask that adults who are able to, wear a face covering. We will spread out the benches for you to sit at and would ask you to consider social distancing where possible.

Reverse Advent Calendar

You should have already received a letter about our reverse advent calendar. We are collecting on behalf of the Amble Food Bank to help everyone in our community enjoy Christmas. Many thanks to those people who have already sent in donations. These are very much appreciated.



Week 1 (Monday 29th November): Packets/boxes of food

Week 2 (Monday 6th December): Toiletries

Week 3 (Monday 13th December): Tins of food

Christmas PJ day

On Friday 10th December we are inviting our children to come to school in PJs/Christmas PJs. We would appreciate donations of small Christmas gifts (chocolate, small bottle of bubble bath etc) which we will be using for our Secret Presents Room (see Christmas Fair Newsletter) the following week.



Christmas Film Night

On Wednesday 15th December we will be hosting a Christmas Film Night. This will be at the cost of £3 per child and will include snacks and a drink. Please sign up to this on Eduspot. Children will need to be collected from school at 5pm.

Christmas Fair

By now, you should have received a copy of the Virtual Christmas Fair leaflet and some raffle tickets (1 envelope per family). Please can all orders and raffle tickets be returned to school in a named envelope by Friday 10th December. We will draw the raffle and send home all items in the final week of term. See list of raffle prizes at the bottom of this newsletter.



Supernanny

Some of you may be aware of our wonderful Supernanny, Jane Crudace. Jane is a school nurse who can offer a range of advice to families including toilet training, behaviour management support, sleep strategies and much more. If you feel that you could benefit from any support, please contact us and we will arrange an appointment for you to see Jane in school.

PE Kit

A polite reminder that on PE days children are encouraged to come to school in their PE kits. This should be their school jumper, dark (black/grey/navy) joggers and suitable footwear. Earrings should not be worn on PE days.



SEND Reviews

Staff will be in contact over the next few days to review your child's progress and plans. Please use this opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

E-Safety News



Mrs Graham is our computing and e-safety lead in school. Following the survey that was distributed this term, we have decided to include any current e-safety advice and/or news on each of our newsletters.

Net Aware

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

Net aware is a one-stop shop where you can research the games, apps and social media sites your child is talking about or accessing. Net Aware gives a rating of the safety of using the app/site and provides advice on safe use.

List of Raffle Prizes to be won

1. Alnwick Garden - family pass
2. Alnwick Garden crazy golf - family pass
3. Northumberland Zoo - family pass
4. Castlemania voucher
5. Sea & Soil - £20 voucher
6. Amble butchers - £20 voucher
7. Headmasters - voucher
8. Warkworth Golf Club - 4 ball voucher
9. Newcastle United women's football team - family season ticket
10. Radcliffes Bar - £20 voucher
11. J.R.D Beauty - £10 voucher
12. The Dock - bottle of whiskey & selection box
13. Euro Pizza Amble - voucher 14 inch munchie box
14. Botanical Beauty - voucher HD brows
15. Northumberland Theatre Company - voucher
16. Kayleigh's Kitchen - voucher
17. The Boathouse / fish shack - voucher
18. Wellwood Arms - £10 voucher
19. The Dock - bottle of wine & selection box
20. Harbour Fish Shop. - voucher
21. Alliance Fish - voucher
22. The Beauty Queen - voucher for shellac nails