



Furness Vale Primary and Nursery School

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Mrs Parry's Newsletter



Merry Christmas

So Christmas is finally upon us and we've had a busy December getting ready for the big day. We were blown away by our younger children's unforgettable performance of 'Whoops a Daisy Angel' and our trip to see Rapunzel at the Forum Theatre was a big hit with all of us. The Christmas celebrations were topped off nicely with a fabulous Christingle service where our children really shone with their singing, behaviour and hand bell playing. Again, our wonderful PTFA put on the Christmas cheer by arranging a Christmas tombola, craft stall and raffle that you generously donated to. As the term draws to a close, I would like to wish you all a happy and relaxing Christmas and look forward to welcoming you back on January 9th.



Household Support Fund

Households facing financial hardship this Christmas can apply to the Household Support Fund for help towards their food, energy and essential living costs. Further details can be found at the website below www.derbyshire.gov.uk/householdsupportfund

or contact them by telephone **01629 533399**

Farewell to Stacey

It is with great sadness that we wave Stacey off on her new chapter. She has been such an asset to the school and our staff and children will definitely miss her big smiles and her yummy puddings! She has thankfully agreed to stay on to lead our PTFA in their fund raising efforts. Good luck Stacey, we will miss you!

Music Opportunities

Throughout this term we have been employing the very talented Mrs Harding to run a hand-bells lunchtime club for Y5 and Y6. As they are showing themselves to be a really musical bunch, we will now be offering a lunch-time recorder club to Class A. Please let us know in January if your child would like to take part.

Class B will continue with their ukulele lessons next term...watch this space for the date of their mini concert in the new year.

Polite Reminder

Please only contact staff members via the agreed channels: school office, email or Class DoJo to discuss school matters. We value and respect our team's privacy and non-contact time and as such they should not be contacted by personal phones or social media.

New Arrangements for Breakfast Club and After School Club

As of January, Kayleigh will be leading Breakfast Club on Monday-Thursday, with Mrs Pooley taking the reins on Fridays. After School Club will be run by Mrs Pooley Monday and Tuesday and Toni Wednesday-Friday. Please continue to only book in for these services through the school office and remember to keep on top of payments for wrap-around care.

Reminders to Children

- Play-time equipment is not to be played with at the end of the day. The climbing frame and climbing wall are also out of bounds at pick-up time.
- Ensure that your coat is hung on your peg using the loop inside your coat.
- Homework must be handed in on the day of the week specified by your teacher

Bee Competition Runner-up

Huge congratulations to Emilia on her poster entry for the Derbyshire Police gaining second place out of more than 500 entries! She received a lovely message from the police thanking her for her contribution to 'Making Derbyshire Safer Together'.



Aimee, Eli, Ellie and Ryan have been elected as our Health Champions. They have attended their first session at New Mills Leisure Centre and after the excesses of Christmas they will be taking a lead on health in school.

Upcoming Events

Thursday 22nd December - Last day of term

Monday 9th January – Back to school

Tuesday 17th January – High Peak Kids Council

Tuesday 17th January – Full Governors Meeting

Wednesday 18th January – Swimming restarts for Class B

Tuesday 27th January – TT Rockstars Day

Monday 6th February – NSPCC workshop Y5/Y6

Thursday 16th February – Andy Tooze visiting poet

Friday 17th February- Last day of term

Congratulations Corner

Congratulations to Year 5 on completing their 'Playground Leader' training. We have already seen some of you setting up games and being good playground buddies, keep up the good work!