



Ancaster CofE Primary School

Newsletter 6 – 30th November 2012

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Special Mentions



In our celebration assemblies, this week and last, certificates were given to:

Class 1 – Benji Heron, Shane Hunter, Jaydon Dixon-Hardy and Ben Fuller

Class 2 – Keira Nettleton, Phoebe Duggan, Callum Arnold, Ava Roberts and Rosie Lawson

Class 3 – Becky Vallance, Chloe Gresham and All of Class 3.

Class 4 – Hannah Hinbest, Harry McGrath and William Blankley

Class 5 – Jamie Robertson, Sam Holmes, and All of Class 5.

Our 'Mega Mathematicians' are –

Eva Lunn, Erin Taylor, Max Vangasse, Archie Vangasse, William Cullum, Harry McGrath, Amy Greetham, Keeley Creasey, Harry Askham, Jessica Blankley, Daniel Annan and Leigha Barratt-Davies.

Our 'WOW Writers' are –

Lois Taylor, Ben Fuller, Ellen Stafford, Ebony Sumner, Steven Vallance, Alice Selby, Keira Nettleton, Tyler Walters, Soraya Morais, Lilly Hartley, Jasmine Pellett, Olivia Allen, and Ben Elmes

Team Point Running Totals:

Maia: 938 Saturn: 610 Apollo: 1027 Minerva: 741

Tea Club

Xmas Buffet

Tuesday 4th December

3.30 – 5.00

Members of our tea club along with Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Stafford would like to invite you to their Xmas buffet. They will make and serve a variety of scrummy snacks for you to try with the only cost being a donation which represents how good you think their food is!

I know I'll be there but will you?

Please let Mrs. Parsons know if you'll be dropping by so they can plan for approximate numbers.



Well done everyone. Our final total for money raised for Children in Need was £138.88

FANTASTIC!!

Parent View – The easy way to tell Ofsted how our school is doing



<http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>

So far we have had a total of 6 responses to the online questionnaire, which, whilst seemingly low, is quite a few more than lots of other schools. However, we'd certainly like more.

Our results have been incredibly positive with 100% of parents agreeing or strongly agreeing to the questions asked. We are also thrilled that everyone would recommend our school to another parent.

Why not have your say today and take a few minutes to share your view.

Open Morning

Friday 7th December

9.30 – 11.30am

Whether your child is already at school with us or hoping to join us in September, why not come along to our Open Morning. You can:

- Take an informative tour of the school from our pupils
- Join in with learning in each class
- Talk to the staff and pupils
- Share in our celebration assembly
- Have coffee and cake with members of our PTFA
- Learn of our mission, aims and successes
- and of course ask all the questions you want.

There will be lots of information available including our school brochure, any spare admission packs and examples of school and governor newsletters which keep you up to date throughout a school year.

Please spread the word to any new parents you know!

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Come to our

Xmas Fayre **Friday 7th December** **2.30 -4.30pm**

Get in the Christmas spirit and purchase some of your gifts at our annual Christmas Fayre. Each class will be running their own stall plus we've invited local businesses too. We have jewellery, cards, decorations and so much more. You can join in the raffle, play some games and indulge in some Christmas refreshments (mince pies!)

Children can be collected at 2.30pm onwards from their classes but they will need to be signed out by an authorised adult who will take full responsibility for them for the remaining time in school. Any children not collected before 3.30pm will be helping on stalls or be supervised doing Christmas activities in class. ALL children must be collected by 3.30pm.

Playtime Snacks



We have noticed that a number of children are taking items from their lunch boxes to have as a playtime snack. Whilst snacks are permitted this must be a healthy snack such as fruit. Sweets, chocolate or crisps are not allowed. We do run a very well priced tuck shop at play times where children can buy fruit and veg for as little as 10p.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 7th Dec: Open Morning, 9.30 – 11.30

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Thurs 13th Dec: Choir performing at Walton Girls Primary Choir Festival – 5.30pm. Tickets available from Mrs. Good £5

Mon 17th Dec: KS2 Christmas Concert at Church 6pm

Tues 18th & Wed 19th Dec: KS1 Christmas play performances from 2pm.

Wed 19th Dec – Choir Christmas Concert – 6pm

Thurs 20th Dec: Class Parties from 1.30pm onwards

Fri 21st Dec: Last day of Term – Fun and Games

Say NO to Bullying



Last week we ran yet another successful anti-bullying campaign in school. We were thrilled with the responses from pupils and how they supported one another, particularly in the area of cyber-bullying. We reviewed what bullying is:

- Ongoing
- Unfair and
- Deliberate

And introduced pupils to CAT –

- Check
- Ask
- Tell

We feel confident that we have the right systems in place for supporting pupils, however, if your child is worried they are being bullied or you have concerns, then please do not hesitate in coming to discuss these with us.

SAFETY FIRST

Our PCSO Mark Barr, really enjoyed his time in school with pupils last week. They listened well and asked great questions about staying safe.

Weather Warning

As the weather is now beginning to deteriorate, we are conscious of the safety of pupils in the playground. The stage and trim-trail, whilst painted with an anti-slip coating can not penetrate the frost and ice. We have asked children to remain off these pieces of equipment unless authorised by the adult on duty. Whilst in your care at the start and end of the day, we would ask that you also keep your children off the equipment and safe on the playground. Thank you!

Medicines

Please note that only medicines prescribed by the doctor can be administered in school by staff. They must be brought to the office and a medical form completed by an authorising parent/carer. Any un-prescribed medicines such as Calpol can only be given on school premises by a parent/carer. Please do not send your children to school with things such as tines or soothers as they are not permitted due to health and safety.