Newsletter - 17th December 2021



Living Together, Learning Together and Shining Together in the Love of God.

What is coming up ...

- Fri 17th Dec last day of Autumn Term
- Tues 4th Jan School closed for Training Day
- Wed 5th Jan School opens at 8.45am
- Thu 13th Jan Swimming lessons for Year 4 start
- Fri 21st Jan Archbishop Of York visiting our school
- Fri 18th Feb School closes for Half Term



Thank you so much for the food that was sent in for the Christmas parties. The children had a wonderful time - playing games & dancing in the hall, then tucking into delicious treats in their classrooms. It was brilliant to hear such festive fun!



Reading Volunteers



After Christmas we will be having volunteers in school to help support the children with reading. Mrs Wilson already has a few people signed up but if you think you could spare some time every week, and you think you

could help us with this, then please contact the school office in the new year - we are always keen to get more children reading!



Nativity

Thank you to the EYFS and KS1 staff who supported the children with their Nativity this year. An extra thank you to Miss Dulian for filming the performance then creating a brilliant movie of the children for their parents to enjoy.

As always the children had lots of fun practising their lines and learning their songs. We hope the parents of the children in those classes enjoy watching it – but we do hope we can invite parents into school in the new year for many more events.



Fundraising



Wow! Thank you for all of the donations made on Christmas
Jumper Day. We raised £142 for Save the Children which is
brilliant – and we all enjoyed feeling festive too! We know that
money will be used by the charity to support children around
the world this Christmas and into the new year.

Thank you for supporting the travelling Christmas Fair too – the children loved playing the games in their classes and winning prizes too. The £75.80 raised will go into the PFA School Fund to support future events in school.

Medicines in School

Just a reminder that we can only administer medicines in school if they have been prescribed by a doctor. This means we can no longer administer medicines bought by parents e.g. calpol, antihistamines. If a child needs to have non-prescribed medicines, parents will have to come in to administer this to their child during the school day.

Free School Meals

Since September 2014, all children who are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 in a state-funded school are offered a free, healthy school lunch. Although they receive a free school meal, this does not automatically qualify them for pupil premium funding. Children will qualify for pupil premium funding, including a free school meal in other year groups, if their parent is in receipt of



eligible benefits. If you feel you may be eligible for free school meals, you can apply via the Hull City Council website and it only takes a couple of minutes: Free school meals | Hull City Council

The cost of a school meal for children in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 who are not entitled to free school meals is £1.50 a day.

Please speak to a member of the Admin team if you need any support with making an application.

School Admissions – Consultation

Our school is currently in consultation over the arrangements for the Admissions Policy for 2023 - 2024, following new statutory guidance. The full details of this can be found at: https://nsj.hslt.academy/admissions/

In addition, Archbishop Sentamu Academy are also consulting on their Admissions arrangements, full details are available here: https://asa.hslt.academy/admissions/

Should you have any comments regarding these Admission arrangements, the email address to send your comments to can be found on the links above.

Safeguarding

Our Safeguarding & Child Protection Leader is Mrs Amanda Devaney. The Deputy Safeguarding & Child Protection Leader is Mr Neil Kenningham.

What to do if you have a concern about a child: During School Hours:

- Contact the school and speak to either Mrs Devaney, or Mr Kenningham via the main office on 01482 305740.
- Contact the Access and Assessment team for Hull on 01482 448879

Out of school hours and during school holidays:

- If your concern is urgent and there is an immediate risk of harm, then contact the police via 999
- If your concern is less urgent but you are worried about the welfare of the child then contact Children's Social Care, Access and assessment team on 01482 448879 (Weekdays 8.30am-5pm) or the Immediate Help Team on 01482 300304 (After 5pm and weekends)



Christmas Decorations

If you are having a sort out of Christmas decorations or Christmas trees and have any spare/old ones that you will not be using next year – we would be grateful for them in school. Next year we would like to have a Christmas tree festival so it makes sense to ask parents now rather than later in the year when it is all stored in lofts or garages! If you do have anything that you do not want anymore but could be useful at school, then please bring to the main office in January. Thank you!

A Christmas Blessing

May love come alive within your heart
As Christmas time draws near.
May hope fill each room you decorate
And bring joy to those you hold dear.
May peace be before you at every meal
And faith ring through every song.
For Christ is alive, the light of the world
May he bless you all season long.



Thank you and Merry Christmas!

Thank you to you all - for your ongoing support of the school and the wider school community. We hope you have a wonderful Christmas - filled with blessings and joy - and we look forward to seeing you all again soon in 2022!

From all of the staff at Newland St John's CE Academy





An interactive experience based on the nativity for all the family!

Come and join us for this free, fun and festive adventure (no booking required!)



Any questions? Email revrichardwhite@outlook.com