

Lanercost CE Primary School



Newsletter



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Our School Vision: Believe, Achieve and Care

Dear Parents and Carers

It does not seem possible that we are only two weeks away from the end of the autumn term; it is certainly action packed with lots of exciting events to look forward to.

Christmas Post Box:

The Christmas post box will be open for business for the rest of the term. Please encourage your child to remember all the children in their Class when writing cards.



FOLS Winter Fare:

This was a very successful event; thank you to everyone who helped make it happen. The School Council raised over £70 and FOLS another £500. The money raised will cover part of the Christmas trips that have been organised for the children - The Upfront Puppet Theatre and the trip to Elmer that has already taken place.

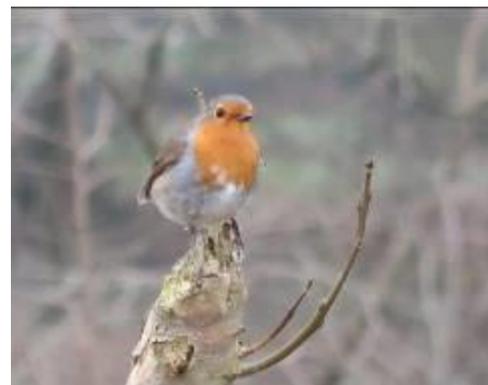


Shoebox Appeal:

Thank you to everyone who put together Shoe boxes this year. We took a staggering 35 boxes along to Brampton Methodist Church. All of the children who receive them on Christmas Day will appreciate your kindness and generosity in putting together these boxes.

Woodland Trust Tree Planting:

On Saturday, we planted 150 trees in an area behind the school, to promote sustainability and care for the environment. Although the ground was not that easy to dig, with the help of a number of parents, Hattie, Maia, Jacob, Tom and Neil and his colleague from the Woodland Trust all the trees were successfully planted. In 50 years, the children will see a beautiful deciduous wood and know that they helped to establish it. A very friendly robin kept an eye on us as we planted the trees. Many thanks to Emma Harding for applying for the trees and hedging for the school.



Hawse End

We had a fantastic informative two days away at Hawse End in role as WW2 evacuees. Everyone enjoyed being in character, especially the identity card checking. During our action packed two days the children experienced code breaking, an air raid, object handling, Morrison and Anderson shelter building, a victory celebration party and finally an aircraft search and rescue mission. Everyone came back shattered but buzzing from the two days away.



Christmas Play - 'Cinderella & Rockerfella' - Afternoon Performance Tuesday 5th Dec 1.30pm Evening Performances; Tuesday 5th Dec 6.15pm Wednesday 6th Dec 6.15pm

With audience participation from the outset - goodies to cheer, baddies to boo and some very corny jokes, the stage is set for the tale of Cinderella to unfold in a vibrant panto-style production.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR TICKETS WITH YOU TO THE PERFORMANCES.

The collection plate is to be shared between 'Shelter' and the Dacre Hall.



Christingle - Friday 8th December 3.00pm at the Priory

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING IN YOUR COLLECTION CANDLE BEFORE FRIDAY.



Services at the Priory over Christmas:

Carols by Candlelight - December 17th, 6.30pm

Carols around the tree - December 24th, 5pm

Mary and Joseph from our 'Travelling Nativity' will be arriving on a donkey at the beginning of the service and we will be sharing the journey they have made with the congregation. The service will be a relaxed time for the whole family to enjoy some traditional children's carols

(chosen by the school) and revisit the Christmas story in an informal way.

For more details, contact Elaine Nightingale

Christmas Day Monday 25th: 11.00am Worship for Christmas Day - for all the family

Severe Weather Closure:

As temperatures are now dropping please be aware of our school closure procedure in the event of a heavy snowfall or flooding. If for any reason the school has to be closed please remember to follow our severe weather closure advice:- Look at the school website; listen to CFM and Radio Cumbria, check your text messages, information about the school will be on all of these. In all cases parents must make their own decision as to whether they feel it is safe to get their children to school, taking into account their own circumstances, e.g. confidence in driving, type of vehicle and local road conditions.



Sporting Fixtures:

December:

Thursday 7th Year 5 and 6 Festival at WHS 3.45 - 5.00pm

Tuesday 12th Bouldering for years 4, 5 and 6 - 10.00 am



Parents Collective Worship at the Priory

Dates

Monday 4th December

Please note the Priory collective worship will be at 3pm, please can all parents pick up from the Priory. You are also more than welcome to attend.

Christmas Events:

FOLS Christmas Treats:

Monday 11th December, 1pm - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 - Up Front Gallery - Cinderella puppet theatre

Pre- School Christmas Party - Tuesday 12th December 1.30pm - 3pm

The Christmas party for pre-school children will be held at Lanercost School on the afternoon of Tuesday 12th December from 1.30 pm.



Christmas Party - Wednesday 13th December 1.30pm - 4pm

All children can come to school dressed in appropriate party clothes. Please supply wellies, as they will need to walk to the Dacre Hall. Children will need to be **collected at 4pm**.



Save the Children **CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY**

Christmas School Dinner - Thursday 14th December

Please can I remind children that the school council are hoping that children will come wearing their favourite Christmas jumper on this day and make a small donation for Save

the Children Fund. They may also come dressed in sensible non-uniform on this day. No high heels, jewellery etc.

Carol Service on the last day of term:

On Friday 15th December, our carol service will start at 1.30pm and will finish at 2.30pm. **Please can you ensure that you are able to pick your children up at the end of the service?**



December

- Mon 4th Priory Collective worship 3pm
- Tues 5th Afternoon and evening performance of the Christmas play
- Wed 6th Evening performance of the Christmas play
- Thurs 7th Yr. 5 and 6 Festival at WHS 3.45 - 5pm
- Fri 8th Christingle at the Priory 3pm
- Mon 11th Puppet Theatre (Cinderella) for Yr. 3- 6 1.30pm
- Tues 12th Preschool Christmas party (Nursery and Pre-school) children 1.30 - 3.00pm
- Wed 13th Christmas party (YR - 6) 1.30 - 4pm
- Thurs 14th Christmas Dinner
- Fri 15th Christmas Carols in the Priory 1.30pm **Early Finish**

January

- Thurs 4th Start of the spring term

Date of next newsletter - 1st Weekend of January

Best wishes for a very Happy Christmas and successful New Year from all the staff at Lanercost C of E Primary School.

Alison Clarricoats
Head teacher

