

Leadgate Primary Lower School Newsletter

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Friday December 18th 2015

Key Diary Dates for the Spring Term

Friday 18th December '15 – This is the last day of term before the Christmas holidays. We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and all the best for the New Year. We look forward to seeing you all on **Tuesday 5th January 2016**.

Wednesday 3rd February – Reception class assembly at 9.10am school hall. Everyone welcome.

Tuesday 9th February – Year 2 class assembly at 9.10am school hall. Everyone welcome.

Friday 12th February – Valentine Disco - Reception, Year 1 & Year 2. **Last day before half term holidays.**

Monday 22nd February – Children back to school.

Thursday 3rd March – World Book Day. Dress as your favourite book character.

Tuesday 8th & Wednesday 9th March – Parents evenings - Reception, Year 1 & Year 2. (details to follow)

Friday 11th March – Comic Relief

Tuesday 15th March – Year 1 class assembly at 9.10am school hall. Everyone welcome.

Thursday 24th March – Last day of term.

Tuesday 12th April – Children back to school.

Whole School Attendance

RECEPTION = 97%

YEAR 1 = 88.5%

YEAR 2 = 88.9%



Well done Reception for achieving the best attendance this week. Our school target is to achieve over 97 % in all classes

Christmas Jumper Day

The children and staff really got into the spirit of Christmas with their lovely Christmas jumpers today and **raised £65.60 for the Text Santa National Appeal**, in aid of McMillan Cancer Research, Make a Wish Foundation UK and Save the Children Fund. Many thanks for your kind support at this time of year.



Merry Christmas

Reminder our school website address is - www.leadgate.durham.sch.uk

The website is smart phone enabled which means you can access all the information you need about the school, including up and coming events, whilst out and about. If you make it one of your favourites you will be able to go straight to the weekly Newsletter and keep up to date on all the events of the week and the weeks ahead.

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PARENTS – Useful Contacts

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We would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to parents and grandparents for all their support this term. We are grateful to all those who volunteered for trips, walks and to help with the carol service. It was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents at the Christmas Nativities. The children were brilliant and we were very proud of them all! There was some excellent singing and actions in EYFS and some very clear, loud voices in KS1. Well done everyone!

The Governors and all the Staff would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

School Uniform

There have been a number of parents asking about missing or lost clothing. If your child accidentally takes home the wrong jumper, t-shirt or trousers could you please return them to school as soon as possible. Please remember to label all clothing with your Child's name. We do have a lost property box at the main entrance, please pop in and have a look to see if any of the items belong to your child.



Christmas Carol Service

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Community Carol Service at the **Methodist Church on Wednesday 16th December**. We would like to say a big thank you to Julie Patterson and all the parent helpers who did such a remarkable job organising such a special event. **The raffle raised £96.20** which has been split between the upper and lower school funds



After School Clubs

Next term after school clubs will start on the second week of term which is week beginning 11th January 2016. Children will be bringing letters home tonight with the clubs they have been allocated for the whole of the spring term. The clubs have been very popular and are unfortunately oversubscribed so children have been allocated clubs on a first come first served basis. If your child no longer wishes to attend a club please let us know and we can offer the space to another child. Thank you.

Year 2 Swimming

Swimming will begin again on Monday 11th January 2016.



Raffle Prizes

All the raffle prizes have now been claimed. We raised £128 which will go into school fund to help subsidise school trips, treats and curriculum enhancements.