# **Leadgate Primary Lower School Newsletter**

# Caring, Sharing, Learning Together

# Friday November 6<sup>th</sup> 2015

### **Key Diary Dates for the Autumn Term**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November '15 – Y1 children will visit Beamish Museum. (<u>Please note change of date</u>). Could anyone who hasn't returned their letter indicating their preference for a packed lunch, please do so as soon as possible.

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December '15 – Year 1 class assembly-9.15am in the school hall. We look forward to seeing parents, relatives and friends. (Please note change of date)

<u>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December '15</u> – Reception class assembly- 9.15am in the school hall we look forward to seeing you all there.

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December '15 – Key stage 1 Christmas nativity. 2pm in the school hall. Everyone welcome.

<u>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December '15</u> – Christmas dinner. Further details will follow.

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December '15 – Early year's nativity for beginning of week and end of week nursery children and reception children will be held at 11am. There will also be a Christmas Carol service 1.30-2.30pm at Leadgate Methodist Church. Parents can stay for a coffee afterwards, until their child is ready to be collected from school

<u>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December '15</u> – Church Service at 10am – St. Ives Church followed by Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas parties in the afternoon.

 $\underline{\text{Friday }18^{\text{th}}\text{ December '15}}$  – Christmas jumper day and last day of term.

### **Whole School Attendance**

RECEPTION = 97.4%YEAR 1 = 96%YEAR 2 = 97.9%



Well done Y2 for achieving the best attendance this week. Our school target is to achieve over 97 % in all classes

### New telephone system for school.

School is updating the telephone system.

From 1 January 2016 we will be changing our number to 01207 610361 for both sites. You may receive calls from this number over the next few weeks.

There will be a series of menu options and a more streamlined service for callers.

Until then we will continue to use the same numbers.
(Lower 503656 / Upper 502937).

The text service will still be available and will not be changed

## Don't forget to check out the new Primary school website:

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.

Mobile Phone **TIP**: by holding your phone landscape you see more images and slides that would otherwise not show if you hold your phone upright

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### **PARENTS – Useful Contacts**

Leadgate Primary Upper School 01207 502937 Leadgate Primary Lower School 01207 503656 Leadgate Chemist - 502774

School Nurse - 03000261718







### **Children in Need**

(REMINDER)

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November the whole school will be raising funds for Children in Need. Children will be able to come to school dressed as their favourite Super Hero for a donation of £1. We are hoping that everyone will be able to join in and enjoy the day.

**Beginning of Week Nursery** children will be taking part in Children in Need on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, when and can get dressed up as their own Super Hero. Pudsey Ears are selling out fast, please get yours before they're gone.



### **POPPY APPEA**



We would like to inform parents that we have poppies on sale for a personal donation. There are also snap rulers for £1 and small boxes of pencils for 50p, all money given goes to the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal.

#### **Santa Claus**

If you would like your child to receive a letter from Santa you need to send a stamped addressed envelope to Santa, Santa's Grotto, Sunderland XMA 5HQ. All letters must be received by 6<sup>th</sup> December. Don't forget to include your child's name.



### **Children's Clothing**

As winter is fastly approaching I would like to request that parents ensure children wear a warm waterproof coat to school, as they will still be accessing the outdoors during the school day, regardless of weather conditions.

We would also like to ask that children bring a suitable PE kit for use in school. Please do not send in short jeans, as they are not practical for physical activity.

### **School Clubs**

All after school clubs begin again next week and are as follows:

Monday – Science Club, Music Club & Film Club Tuesday – Art & Board Games

Thursday – Computing, Cookery & Gardening They will all run for 5 weeks and will end during week ending Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December.