

14th December 2018

Dear Parents,

Newsletter

Attendance This week's attendance is 96.71% unfortunately this is again- below our target of 97%.

Jack and the Beanstalk Reading Initiative The winner of our reading initiative this week is Hannah.

Christmas Play Congratulations to all the children on three marvellous performances of "The Inn Spectors". They worked really hard learning their lines and all of the songs. We have had some lovely comments about the beautiful singing. The costumes looked wonderful and all the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Well done and thank you for your support.

Please note: Any photographs taken during the performance must not be uploaded onto any social network or internet sites.

Christmas Hampers Thank you to FOLS for providing such wonderful Christmas hampers to raffle during the Christmas Play. We had lots of produce donated this year which was greatly appreciated.

FOLS 100 Club Congratulations to the winners of the 100 Club Christmas Draw: 1st No. 30 A Newton, 2nd No. 39 A Perry, 3rd No. 73 J Newton, 4th No. 108 Miss Parkes, 5th No. 60 T Welford and 6th No. 56 R. Pattinson.

Theatre Visit On Thursday the whole school enjoyed 'Dick Whittington' at Middlesbrough Little Theatre. Thank you to FOLS who very generously fund this trip for all of the Lealholm School children.

Christmas Jumper Day It was lovely to see all the children dressed in their festive jumpers and colours today.

Carol Service

We would like to invite parents, grandparents and friends of the school to our Carol Service at: Lealholm RC Church Our Lady of the Sacred Heart on Monday 17th December. Time 2.00 pm. Instead of a collection plate if you would like to donate a small gift (no batteries) for a child, we will take these to the Salvation Army in Whitby for distribution.

Parents can take their children home after the service, once they have collected their belongings from school.

Team Point updates

Juniors: Red – Will, Yellow – Bentley, Blue – Noah, Green – Brook

Infants: Red – Tyler, Yellow – Isaac, Blue - Matthew, Green – Oliver

School Council The next meetings will be: Thursday 17th January and Thursday 14th March.

Christmas Lunch Tuesday 18th December. All the children will join us for a traditional Christmas Dinner this year along with Staff and Governors.

As usual, the children sit in 'family' groups of six or eight children and we would like them to decorate the tables and bring additional treats to make the lunch more festive.

The children have organised their groups and decided on something they would like to bring. These are such things as a tablecloth, place mats, place name cards, napkins, chocolate mints (**no nuts or crisps**), drinks or a table decoration (**no candles**).

Christmas Party Thursday 20th - We encourage the children to bring a change of clothing for the party, which needs to be in a named carrier bag. We would also appreciate a plate of party food from each family, such as:

Sandwiches – favourites are ham, cheese, tuna or egg
Sausage rolls
Sausages, cheese, chicken bites

Vegetable sticks and dips
Pizza slices
Cakes and buns
Tray bakes

Please note: No Nuts

National Literacy Trust our hub known locally as 'Our Stories: Whitby, Scarborough, Filey,' has donated Tom Fletcher's Christmasaurus (#Christmasaurus) to school. If you would like further information please visit the website: <https://literacytrust.org.uk/communities/north-yorkshire-coast/> then that would be amazing.

On line Safety Over a quarter of 7-16 year olds have live-streamed and 1 in 8 have video-chatted with someone that they have never met in person. These headline findings come from a recent NSPCC survey with over 40,000 participants. Whilst live-streaming and video-chatting can offer fantastic opportunities, it is essential that children are also educated about the risks. More details can be found here: www.nspcc.org.uk/what-we-do/news-opinion/livestreaming-video-chat-online-safety. Live streaming allows anybody to broadcast live using the internet. Many apps and sites include this function. Popular current apps include Youtube, Facebook live, TikTok (formerly Music.ly) and YouNow but most social networks include the function. Live streaming can be an incredibly creative process but also poses risks, such as negative comments or being exposed to inappropriate content and contact. Guidance can be found at: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/what-is-live-streaming>

Northumberland Theatre Company (NTC) Present 'The little Maid Who Danced to Every Mood' a Scandinavian adventure story suitable for all the family. At Glaisdale Robinson Institute on Sunday 30th December, time 6.30 pm (doors open 6pm). Tickets on sale now - call 01947 897945 / 07472 622243 / or email: valleynews@basementpress.com (Tickets: £9 adults, child £6, family £25). Profits will go to Glaisdale School.

Yours sincerely

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Holiday Dates 2018-2019

Friday 21st December	Close for Christmas Break
Monday 7th January	Staff Training Day
Tuesday 8th January	School opens for Spring Term
Friday 22nd February	Close for half term 3.30 pm
Monday 4th March	Return to School
Friday 12th April	Close for Easter Break 3.30 pm
Monday 29th April	School Opens for Summer Term
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 24th May	Close for half term 3.30 pm
Monday 3rd June	Return to School
Friday 19th July	Close for Summer Break 3.30 pm
Monday 22nd July	Staff Training Day