



Isaiah 9:6

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

This Sunday is the second Sunday of Advent. We hope the children are enjoying their advent packs – please send in photos of their creations so that can feature them in future newsletters.

This week our whole-school attendance was 96.58%. Our goal is to reach 96% and above, which is considered good attendance and helps ensure children make the most of their learning, so well done everyone for achieving that target this week.

#### Wrap around care provision

Mrs Shephard sent out a survey via email to ask for your opinions on our current, and potential future, wrap around care provision. If you have not yet had the chance to reply, we would ask if you can please do so – we really do value your feedback and need more responses in order to make any decisions – this is the link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=VrbOfioAMUeUDPzvZTFMDsvcNDcTnaBLIIMMvpZCIQJUMVo1RTBPMzRGWThMMkgyOUZJSUhCRkRTS4u>

#### Safeguarding

‘Togetherness’ is an online learning environment developed by psychologists and health practitioners providing accessible learning about emotional health and wellbeing, proven to positively impact mental health, behaviour and relationships. Please see attached flier providing support and sharing resources for parents experiencing all the big emotions of growing children.

#### Arbor payments

Please can we remind you to make sure all payments for meals and clubs are up to date. Young Voices payments need to be cleared too.

**Friday 5th December**



**Love and Serve**

#### Good Work Awards

##### **Star of the Week**

Class 1 – Tyler  
Class 2 – Martha  
Class 3 – Alfie  
Class 4 – Joshua

##### **Excellent English**

Class 1 – Daisy  
Class 2 – Sofia  
Class 3 – Rocco  
Class 4 – Carter

##### **Marvellous Maths**

Class 1 – Teddy RS  
Class 2 – Nevaeh  
Class 3 – Billy  
Class 4 – Ted.R

#### **Fantastic Foundation**

Class 2 – Violet  
Class 3 – Amelie  
Class 4 – Emily

Well done to the **blue** house who scored the most house points this week.

Class **1** won the Clutter Cup this week. Well done Receptions, your room was super tidy for the open morning!

#### Calendar for Next Week

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>**: breakfast & afterschool club, PE kit all day

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>**: breakfast & afterschool club, Class 1 Let's Learn Together, Class 2 Forest Schools, Class 3 flute lessons

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>**: breakfast & afterschool club, Pop-up library – collection only, Class 1 & 2 performance to rest of school and local community at 2pm

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>**: breakfast & afterschool club, Class 1 & 2 performance to parents 2.30pm & 6pm, Christmas Jumper day.

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup>**: breakfast & afterschool club, house advent afternoon

#### Dinner Menu for week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> Dec

**Monday**: Chicken Burger, Sticky Toffee Pudding

**Tuesday**: Pasta & Cheese, Berry Mousse

**Wednesday**: Gammon, Oat Cookie & Cheese

**Thursday**: Beef Taco's, Chocolate sponge & Chocolate Sauce

**Friday**: Fish Star, Lemon Shortcake

**Please can we also remind you that we are a NUT AWARE school.**

Alternative options of Jacket Potatoes and Sandwiches are available with fillings of ham, cheese, tuna or beans.

#### Potatoes! Potatoes! Potatoes!

We have plenty of sacks of the tasty potatoes we are selling still available. £5 per 10kg sack. Please pop into the office if you would like to buy some and please spread the word!

Thank you very much to the Cottingham family for the donation of potatoes, it is very much appreciated, and thank you to all the FOCAS members who have helped with this project.

#### Upcoming Christmas dates for school

- 10<sup>th</sup> Dec – pop up library – collection only
- 10<sup>th</sup> Dec – Class 1 & 2 performance to rest of school and local community **please send in their costumes by Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Dec**
- 11<sup>th</sup> Dec – Class 1 & 2 performance to parents at 2.30pm & 6pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Jumper day
- 16<sup>th</sup> Dec – Class Christmas parties in the afternoon
- 17<sup>th</sup> Dec - School Christmas dinner
- 18<sup>th</sup> Dec – Carol service at Church – 2pm all welcome
- 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – last day of school (back for children on Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Jan)

### What's happening in school and around us

**Elim Ryedale church** - wanted to let you know about a Christmas

Panto/nativity they are putting on at Norton College in conjunction with 4Front Theatre Company, on Saturday 13th December. The church is subsidising the cost of the tickets in order to make this an affordable event for people and families.

Please find attached to the email a flyer advertising the event that has a QR code. If you scan the QR it will take you directly to the Eventbrite site in order to book tickets, alternatively you can email:

elimryedalechurch@gmail.com .

**Malton Library** – As well as their usual monthly schedule there are lots of extra festive story times and crafts along with two special Lego workshops at Malton Library this December. See attached.

**Malton Sports Centre** – There are holiday activities available to book at Malton Sports Centre. If you have government funded FEAST vouchers you can use them here also.

### Settrington Church Christmas dates

DECEMBER 2025 21 CAROL SERVICE 3pm SETTRINGTON

24 MIDNIGHT MASS 11.30pm LANGTON

25 CHRISTMAS DAY 09.00/10.30am BOTH WESTOW

### Christmas Wreaths

Our local milkman, David's Dairies, is supplying large wreaths £17.95 and posy wreaths £10.95. If you would like to place an order please call 07896 290141 or email [davidsdairies@gmail.com](mailto:davidsdairies@gmail.com)

### School Photo's

Active Photographic have added a 5% discount code for orders of school photographs. Order at [www.activephoto.co.uk](http://www.activephoto.co.uk) and enter code 5XMAS at checkout. Offer expires 17<sup>th</sup> December which is also the last day for orders to be placed in time for Christmas.

### This week.....

**Class 1** loved watching the Riding Lights pantomime performance especially the cheeky donkey. They have also started their Big Advent Countdown book calendar.

**Class 2** learnt about the elements to start a fire in Forest Schools. They have been busy practicing their handwriting and letter formation.

**Class 3** have been looking at arrays in maths and designing a flyer for their 'imperfect pet shop' in English. They have also been making and painting some marvellous clay creations.

**Class 4** have explored the Bible in RE, looking deeper at biblical texts. They are enjoying their class text 'The Promise' while also looking at similes and metaphors.

**The whole school has also been busy practicing for the KS1 production next week and our Christmas carol service on the 18<sup>th</sup> December up at the church.**

### Worship

Thank you to Reverend Cate who comes into school weekly to take worship. This week she brought in an advent wreath to light each week of advent and also a Posada; the figures of Mary, Joseph and donkey who travel around during the advent season. The Posada has been moving around the school each day and children have enjoyed finding the figures.

Thank you also to Mrs Anderson who comes into school to help the Year 5 & 6 worship council with worship club. They meet every Thursday lunchtime to worship, learn and play together.

