

## Our Christian Values:

Justice  
Compassion  
Respect  
Friendship  
Thankfulness  
Hope  
Resilience  
Truthfulness



**CHRISTIAN VALUE AUTUMN TERM- HOPE**  
**GLOBAL THEME – HUMAN RIGHTS**

## North Stainley C of E School

### NEWS FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Newsletter 5. Autumn Term 2017

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December



Dear parents / guardians,

Christmas is almost upon us, here are some details of what we have been up to and all our Christmas events.

#### CHRISTMAS FAIR

We had a great morning at our Christmas fair. The event was well attended with a good buzz of activity. Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who work so hard to support our school.

#### FONSS

Our fundraising group –FONSS (Friends of North Stainley School) do an amazing job raising much needed funds to improve the opportunities we provide for the children at our school. It is a great way to get involved in school, even on a one off basis. Please speak to any one in school if you feel you might be able to offer your services.

#### CAROL SERVICE –CLASS 3

On Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December our Y4/5 pupils attended a Carol Concert at Holy Trinity Church, Ripon. Each school performed either a song or a poem. Our children performed beautifully, with some really stunning solo and duet performances. They were a real credit to us and to the work of our music teacher, Mrs Hayley Watkinson.

#### YEAR 6 TRIP TO BOWES MUSEUM

On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November, Year 6 visited Bowes Museum with Miss Williamson and Mrs McKittrick (who has been working with the children on their Tudor topic). They had a very interesting day and came back with lots of knowledge and skills.

#### CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

The Arts Council ran a very popular card designing competition. There were lots of entries and the standard was high. The Arts Council decided on the winners and presented the prizes last Friday. Well done to everyone who entered and our winners who were:

Class 1 – Jasmine Littlewood

Class 2 – Charlie Keilloh

Class 3 – Ellie Lock

Class 4 – Jake Cockerill

Overall winner – Alice Childe –Year 5

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### CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION

Our Christmas Production is taking place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm in the Village Hall. We hope you will be able to join us and enjoy a Nativity performed by Class 1 and a short performance by Classes 2, 3 and 4.

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December we ask that Class 1 return to the village Hall at 4.45 but Class 2, 3 and 4 return to the Village Hall between 4.50 and 4.55 as they do not need to get changed.

### SLEEPS TO SANTA- STRAY fm.

On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December we are really excited because Nick Hancock from Stray fm is coming into school to record and video the children singing 'Sleeps to Santa'. If you don't listen to Stray fm, you will not know what this is...listen to Stray fm breakfast show and find out. We are really looking forward to it. What fun!

### CHRISTMAS LUNCH and CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December we will be having our school Christmas lunch. All the staff and children will be in the Village Hall, we hope most children will enjoy a school lunch on that day. The day is also Christmas Jumper Day. We ask all children to come to school in a Christmas jumper- the jazzier the better! We ask that every child brings £1 for Save the children UK.

### VILLAGE CAROL SERVICE – Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December

The Village Carol Service will be held on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 10.45 in St Mary's Church. We ask that our children come dressed as a character from the Nativity Story. This can be as complete or as minimal as you like. Nick Morgan and the school want it to be a fun event that the children enjoy and feel involved in. We hope most of our families will support the event.

### ATTENDANCE

Please remember how important it is that your child attends school every day. We start teaching at 8.50, the doors are open from 8.45am.

If your child is ill, please ensure that you contact school on the first morning off absence via telephone or email.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – 10am visit from Stray fm for 'Sleeps to Santa'

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – 2pm Christmas Production.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – 5pm Christmas Production.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – School Christmas lunch

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children UK.

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Village Carol Service 10.45

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Class 3 Christmas Party

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December –, Class 1 Christmas Party

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Class 2 Christmas Party

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Pantomime Visit to Harrogate Theatre.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – Class 4 Christmas Party

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – break up for Christmas at 2.30.

Please contact me if you have any concerns or comments,  
Kind regards,

Mrs Elizabeth Watts  
Heateacher.

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