

Our Christian Values:

Justice
Compassion
Respect
Friendship
Thankfulness
Hope
Resilience
Truthfulness



CHRISTIAN VALUE THIS HALF TERM- RESPECT
GLOBAL THEME – SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

North Stainley C of E School

NEWS FROM THE HEADTEACHER

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Monday 9th January



Dear parents / guardians,

Happy New Year to you all. I hope you all had a lovely break and are now nicely settled into the new school year.

HIC CAROL SERVICE

A huge thank you to all who took part in the Christmas Concert at HIC. Everyone who took part and came to watch agreed it was a great success and it was lovely to be involved in such a big musical extravaganza.

Here are a couple of pictures of the event.



CHRISTIAN VALUE -RESPECT

This term our Christian Value is **respect**. We have asked the children to think about why it is so important to have respect for themselves, for others, for possessions and for their environment. We have also discussed how we can grow respect in our school. Please come in and see our Growing Respect Garden in the entrance hall. See if you can follow this up at home.

GLOBAL THEME – SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Our Global learning theme is **Sustainable Development**. We will be considering how we can develop the world without destroying it. We will be looking across the world as well as in our own country and in our local neighbourhood.

“Your support for your child’s education is crucial to their progress. Please tell us if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone; a discussion with a school colleague of the same gender.”

WHOLE SCHOOL TOPIC - CASTLES

All classes have Castles as their main topic this term, but each class will take a different view in order to meet the requirements of the national curriculum and our own local curriculum. If you have any expertise or can help in any way, please do let us know.

VOLUNTEERS

We really value the support of the many volunteers we have in school. If there are any parents or grandparents who could give us any time, whether weekly or as a one off, we would be delighted to have you working with us. Please speak to me or your child's class teacher.

NEW ADMINISTRATOR

Our new administrator Sally Taylor has started work this week, please help us make her feel welcome.

HEALTHY SNACK

Please remember to send your child with a **healthy** snack for morning break. It is a long time to go without food and occasionally we catch children dipping into their lunches as they are so hungry. Fruit- dried or fresh, vegetables, plain biscuits or cereal bars are acceptable. If the children come out with something inappropriate we will keep it for them and return it at home time. This is to help your children develop healthy eating habits for life.

BOOSTER

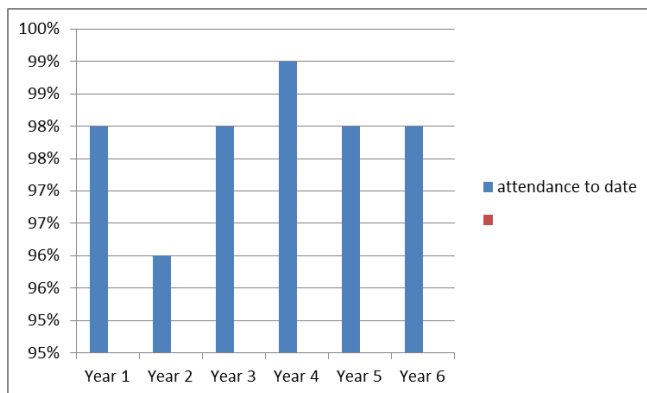
Booster class for Year 6 pupils begins this week on Tuesday night from 3.30-4.30pm. These sessions are very useful as they provide an opportunity for your children to work small groups and revise and consolidate everything they have learned so far at school. The sessions are led by myself and Miss Williamson and ensure your children are well prepared for the new harder SATS and ultimately secondary school. The children who attend the booster sessions achieve much better scores than the rare one or two who do not attend.

PUNCTUALITY

A reminder that school starts at 8.50am. The children are settled and starting lessons by 9am. Please ensure your child is not late as it is very disruptive and being late is not a good habit to let your children get into for future life.

ATTENDANCE.

Our target attendance for all our pupils is 98%. You have to be here to be learning!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday mornings – swimming Class 2

Wednesday 18th January – Community lunch with Communion

Monday 23rd January – Year 3/4 Athletics

Friday 27th January – Parent Celebration Assembly

Thursday 9th February – Internet Safety Talk for Y3/4 and 5/6

Tuesday 14th February – Year 5/6 Rugby Tournament

Wednesday 15th February –Community lunch with Communion

Friday 17th February – Parent celebration assembly

Friday 17th February – break-up half term.

Please contact me if you have any concerns or comments,

Kind regards,

Mrs Elizabeth Watts

Headteacher.