



Fellside Community Primary School

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Fellside Matters

Commitment, Confidence, Change, Creativity, Challenge, Collaboration, Curiosity.

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Mrs Green's Weekly Message:

Now that our Early Years superstars have performed their version of the nativity, we can officially announce that the Christmas season has begun! Our Christmas Tree is looking wonderful with red, green, yellow and blue ornaments all over, decorated by children in their houses as part of this half term's Fellside Families afternoon. Our tree has been kindly donated by Lamesley Farm and we are incredibly grateful for their generosity. Over the next week, we will be welcoming in families from across Key Stages One and Two to share in the joys of the season.

We are in a position to be able to support families financially who may need it at this time of year. If you feel as though you could benefit from some financial support, please speak with us in confidence and we will be happy to help. This can be a tough time of year for some and it is important to recognise that there is help and support for anyone who needs it, with no judgement.

Sadly, we have news to share regarding Miss Robson. Many of you will know Miss Robson as our Year Six Teacher and SENDCo; she is a valuable member of the team and is highly thought of by all of us. Some of you may know that Miss Robson has been absent from work since October, through ill health, and she has sadly made the decision that she will not be able to return to work, as she continues to prioritise her health and her family. She will always be a part of our Fellside family and I would like to personally thank her for her contributions to the changes we have seen in the support we are able to give as a school to our oldest children and those most vulnerable across the key stages. We are sending her our love as she continues to get well.

Finally, we know that there are a lot of bugs going around at this time of year and we appreciate that absences can happen as a result. Please let us know as early in the day as possible if your child is going to be off through illness and give them our get well wishes.

Mrs Green

Key Dates

While many people enjoy the excitement, we know that Christmas time can be overwhelming for some children and families; please let your child's teacher know if they need to be aware of anything that may be dysregulating during this period.

Monday 8th December

- 2.15pm - Year 1 and 2 Performance of Whoops-A-Daisy-Angel

Tuesday 9th December

- 9.15am Year 1 and 2 Performance of Whoops-A-Daisy-Angel
- 2.15pm Year 3 and 4 Performance of The Angel Who Nearly Missed It All

Wednesday 10th December

- 9.15am Year 3 and 4 Performance of The Angel Who Nearly Missed It All

Thursday 11th December

- 2.15pm Year 5 and 6 Performance of Groovin' – The Nativity

Friday 12th December

- 9.15am Year 5 and 6 Performance of Groovin' – The Nativity

Monday 15th December

- KS2 Choir to Manor House
- Y3/4 Christmas Party
- PTA Christmas Disco evening

Tuesday 16th December

- Y1/2 Christmas Party

Wednesday 17th December

- Y5/6 Christmas Party

Thursday 18th December

- Carol Service at St Mary's Church
- Early Years Christmas Party (with a special visitor...)

Please continue to check our website, which is updated regularly with key dates.

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Nursery

Nursery children have shared the story “Goodbye Autumn Hello Winter” by Kenard Pak. Using their key writing skills, they have created letters to Santa while, in their art lessons, they have created Christmas cards.

Within RE, children talked about the nativity story, talking about the Christian faith. Of course, there has been lots of performing as they shared the nativity story with you all.

Reception

Children in Reception have been sharing the book “The Christmas Story”. They have been writing their own names on labels, as well as ‘cvc’ words. During early maths, they have been looking at measurements, specifically height using words “tall” and “short”. Children have been painting trees ready to create their calendars and they have learnt about the Christmas Story. During dance, children have been keeping to a count of eight and making big movements. To celebrate the launch of ‘Runderland’, children have danced, ran and rode balance bikes to show that they are the most active class in school! Children in reception performed their Christmas nativity (“The Very Hopeless Camel” to our families and they hope you all enjoyed it!

Year One

Children in Year One have been sharing “Kitty and the Moonlight Rescue”, thinking about how to find the monster! In maths, they have looked at doubling and halving while, in Design Technology, they have created and enjoyed healthy fruit smoothies. In computing lessons, children enjoyed creating images and using them to make games. They have also thoroughly enjoyed rehearsing for their Christmas show and can’t wait to share it with you!

ATTENDANCE TARGET CLASS: 88.9%

Year Two

Year Two have been enjoying the book “The Santa Trap” by Jonathan Emmett. In their writing, they have been writing a character description of Bradley Bartleby from the book, and predicting what might happen in the story. During science, children have looked at global and local habitats, to talk about what living things need to survive. As part of RE, children have recalled the key points in Jesus’s life, starting with his birth. There has also, of course, been a lot of singing and rehearsals so that the children shine in their Christmas play next week – they are very excited.

Year Three

Year Three are really enjoying the book “The Christmasaurus”. Children are writing facts about lions and mice, learning new vocabulary and learning about what a fable is, identifying some through reading them.

In maths, children have shared and grouped, and multiplied by 3. They have enjoyed making Christmas cards this week and also, in computing, they have practised touch typing, practising using specific fingers for certain keys. During science, they have investigated materials, thinking about which are magnetic and which are not.

ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS: 96.6%

Year Four

Year Four are sharing “The Gut Garden” book and, alongside this, they have been writing an explanation text about digestion. During maths, children have focused on fractions, adding and subtracting them. During history, Year Four have discovered what was in Tutankhamun’s tomb while, in Design Technology, they have designed their own toy cars. You are in for a real treat when you watch next week’s Christmas show as they have rehearsed beautifully, putting action to the lyrics of their songs for the show. With in music, they have learnt to play some Christmas songs, as well as ‘Happy Birthday’.

Year Five

Children in Year Five have been starting to think about the skills they need to persuade their audience in writing. They have been rehearsing for their Christmas play with lots of singing and they have discovered lots about David Attenborough as a naturalist within their science lessons. They also enjoyed a wonderfully festive Christmas Crafternoon on Tuesday together, making decorations and simply enjoying the season.

Year Six

Year Six children have been thinking about the skills they need to write a biography and the features to include, such as chronological order. Within maths, they have thought about coordinates and the translation and reflection of shapes. Within geography, the formation of Oxbow Lakes has been looked at while, in computing, children have worked collaboratively when learning about blogging. There have been skipping and football skills shared in PE and plenty of rehearsals to showcase their talents and enthusiasm next week in their Christmas shows!