



Fellside Community Primary School

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Fellside Matters

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

Ambition for all.

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Mrs Green's Weekly Message:

This week, I have been spending time watching full lessons across the school. While I am a visible presence in and around classes every day, spending full lessons with our children and teachers is also important as it allows me to see exactly how the children are learning and the incredible job that our teachers are doing day by day.

Next week brings the start of December, with advent preparations well underway. Throughout December, we have plays, choirs and a church service planned, as well as our wonderful PTA Christmas Choir. While dates have been communicated and are available on our website, we are sharing them again on the next page to ensure that no one misses out.

As you will see from the list, there is a lot going on! There is more on top, however these are the events that families are invited to or those we will be asking permission for. We also have Fellside Families as well as the regular praise, assemblies and celebrations... not to mention our job of continuing to teach your children.

We have had a number of requests from our neighbours in Ancaster Road who have expressed frustration that their driveways are sometimes being blocked when families come to collect children from our school. Please can we ask everyone to be mindful of this moving forwards.

A little reminder for our Nursery families (and anyone who knows a family with a Nursery aged child): the deadline for Reception places is 15th January. If any families would like an individual tour with me, please contact our main office and I will be more than happy to share our school's vision with you.

Thank you for your continued support and collaboration!

Mrs Green

Monday 2nd December: Fluenz Vaccinations for children in Reception to Year 6. *IF YOU HAVEN'T SIGNED UP ONLINE, YOUR CHILD WILL NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE THEIR VACCINATION*

Tuesday 3rd December, 2.15pm: *Early Years Christmas Performance*

Wednesday 4th December: Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day

Thursday 5th December, 9.30am: *Early Years Christmas Performance*

Thursday 5th December: Girls Football Finals

Friday 6th December: *Whole Schol Panto (in school) – Y1 to Y6 10.00am, EY 2.00pm*

Monday 9th December, 2:15pm: Year One and Two Christmas Performance

Tuesday 10th December, 9:15am: Year One and Two Christmas Performance

Tuesday 10th December, 1:45pm: Year Three and Four Christmas Performance

Wednesday 11th December, 9:15am: Year Three and Four Christmas Performance

Thursday 12th December, 2:00pm: Year Five and Six Christmas Performance

Friday 13th December, 9:15am: Year Five and Six Christmas Performance

Friday 13th December After School: PTA Christmas Fair – Come and join in the fun and raise more funds for our children!

Monday 16th December: Key Stage One Christmas Party Day

Monday 16th December: Year Five/Six Choir visiting manor house

Tuesday 17th December: Year Three/Four Christmas Party Day

Wednesday 18th December: Year Five/Six Christmas Party Day

Wednesday 18th December: Woodwind, Guitar and Violin performances for invited KS2 families

Thursday 19th December: Early Year Christmas Party Day

Thursday 19th December 2:00pm: Carol Service at St Mary's Church – All welcome

Friday 20th December – Dress down day

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Nursery

Nursery children have been preparing for Christmas by sharing "The nativity" by Nick Butterworth. Some children have written letters to Santa as part of their early mark making while also creating Christmas cards. Nursery have been discussing their feelings about performing the nativity – they are excited and a bit nervous too!

Creativity winner: Riley H

Year One

Year One children have enjoyed reading about "Big Cat Babies" as a class book. They have created questions to write and sorted information under different headings. During maths, they have focused on counting in 2s – early multiplication skills! They have mapped out their own classrooms in geography and learnt about Hannukah in RE. They really enjoyed adding instruments to songs this week!

Creativity winner: Charlotte R
ATTENDANCE TARGET: 94%

Year Three

Children in Year Three are continuing to enjoy "James and the Giant Peach", while, in writing, they are creating their own fables based on "The Lion and The Mouse." In maths, children are learning multiplication skills while, in geography, they have been thinking about what makes up the United Kingdom, and capital cities. During RE, children have thought about different parables while, in French, they have continued to learn about animals.

Creativity winner: Madeline C

Year Five

Year Five children have been learning about, and understanding, compound and complex sentences, and how to apply coordinating and subordinating conjunctions correctly. In maths, they have been rounding to the nearest whole number and the nearest tenth. Children have also explored self respect and recognised their own strengths through what they are good at and what they are proud of. In French, they have learned how to tell people when their birthday is. They are proud to announce that Year Five is home to the first Fellside "Word Millionaire"!

Creativity winner: Lucy G

Reception

Reception children have enjoyed "Night Monkey Day Monkey". In phonics, they have been reading and writing more CVC words. In early maths, they have looked at "1 less than" and number order. They have enjoyed going to the computer suite to draw a rocket and walking to Wickham School for a fun sporting afternoon. They have moved their bodies in different ways in gymnastics as well as dancing a seaside themed dance.

Creativity winner: Ivy K
ATTENDANCE WINNERS: 99.1%

Year Two

Year Two children have read list poems, such as "Ten Things in A Wizard's Pocket" and "The Sound Collector". They have written their own list poems, named "Ten Things in an Enchanted Forest". In maths, children have been dividing by 2, 5 and 10. During computing, Year Two have used iPads to take photographs, discussing lighting and editing. In music lessons, they are playing "Yuletide Fun" on the recorder. During science, they have enjoyed learning about animal offspring; sorting and classifying animals, discussing similarities and differences with adults and their offspring.

Creativity winner: Nathaniel S

Year Four

In class, year Four continue to share "Anglo Saxon Boy" while creating their own narratives in writing. During maths, there has been a focus on multiplication and division. Children have learned about pyramids in history. As part of RE, year Four have focused on the upcoming Advent season while, in PSHE, they have discussed healthy and unhealthy relationships.

Creativity winner: Penelope S

Year Six

In Year Six writing lessons, pupils have been selecting the vocabulary and language they need to have desired impacts on their readers. During maths, they have focused on long division, with some wonderful peer support observed! During computing, they have used Tinkercard to look at 3D modelling while, in science, they have learned about reflection through making and testing their own periscopes

Creativity winner: Matthew W