



## Dalton St Mary's CE Primary School

Autumn Term

# Newsletter 9

7<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

This week in school we have installed a new signing in system. The system meets the new GDPR regulations and enhances our safety evacuation procedures. The system will only be used by adults and while we get used to the new system the office staff will be on hand to help. If you are collecting your child for an appointment during the school day they will be signed out/in using the screen in the entrance and any children arriving late to school will be signed in also using the screen in the entrance. The system links to our electronic registers and will automatically add the children to their class register. We are confident that this system will quickly become a part of our regular routines.

### **Parent, Staff and Children's Choir - Tomorrow**

We had the first meeting, last Thursday, for our staff, children and parent choir, it was a great session and everyone who joined us really enjoyed it. Please don't worry if you missed the first session you are more than welcome to come along tomorrow, we meet immediately after school for approximately half an hour. We are learning and practicing a song to sing at the Christmas Service. Parents can join the choir with their children or on their own if children do not wish to attend. If your child attends Performing Arts on Thursday evenings, they can be a part of this choir if you as a parent wish to join. I do hope some more parents will be encouraged to join in this project, it is very relaxed, fun and a way to feel energized at the end of the day.

### **Languages Club at Dowdales**

We have had an offer for our children to attend a language club at Dowdales School. The club is open to our Year 5 and Year 6 children and the aim is to make new friends, learn about a different culture and learn some German along the way. The children will forgo a link with a partner school in Munich having a German pen pal and it is hoped this project will feed into the language work our children will undertake if they move onto Dowdales School. The club is to be held on the first Monday of each month at Dowdales School starting Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018. Anyone who is interested should email [rherbet@dowdales.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:rherbet@dowdales.cumbria.sch.uk).

### **Boxes of Hope**

We are supporting the Boxes of Hope campaign again this year in school and look forward to collecting the boxes here in school. We ask that parents remember to include £2.00 in the shoebox, which helps to cover the cost of transport and packaging. This cost is kept to a minimum as no staff are paid for their work they are all volunteers. We have sent a leaflet with this newsletter; if you would like to donate more than one shoebox please ask at the office for additional leaflets. **We do have some empty shoeboxes here in school that parents can collect from the office.** All boxes should be brought into school by Friday of this week.

### **Poppy Appeal**

We now have poppies for sale in school for Remembrance Day. These will be available each break time being sold by our very sensible Year 6 children.

### **Non-Uniform Day**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018 will be non-uniform day to help plan for and support our Christmas Fair, which is on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018. Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 children who come to

school in non-uniform should bring a bottle for the bottle tombola and children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 should bring chocolate for the chocolate tombola.

### DSM Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair which is on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018 will affect some extra-curricular activities. Multisport for KS2 has not been booked for that evening and parents have not been charged for that session, Colouring Club and Debate Club will not happen that evening as staff will be busy in the Christmas Fair. Guitar Club will take place on the evening of the Christmas Fair. Your child should have brought home further information regarding arrangements for Christmas Fair day and information about class Christmas hampers. If you did not receive these two letters please ask your child or speak to the class teacher.

### L Woodburn

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Dear God,

Thank you for our homes. Please help the people who have nothing. We are so thankful for everything in our lives.

Amen

(Ebony Mendez Y5)

### Dates for Diaries

Library Van Visit		Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2018
DSM Speech Festival		Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2018
Non-Uniform Day		Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2018
DSM Christmas Fair	3.30-5.00	Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2018
Nativity (in school)	10.00	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2018
Christmas Parties (Y1/Y2/Y5/Y6)		Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2018
Christmas Parties (YN/YR/Y3/Y4)		Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2018
Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas Jumper Day		Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2018
Finish for Christmas – Service in Church	1.00-2.00	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2018
Back to school		Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2019

### Extra-Curricular Activities

#### Morning / Lunchtime Clubs

Club	Leader	Day	Time	Comments
Scrabble	Mrs Rowe	Tuesday	12.25	Y4/Y5/Y6 (Library)
Gardening	Mrs Croskery	Friday	12.30	Y5/Y6 Children

#### After School Clubs

Club	Leader	Day	Time	Comments
Multi Sports	Onside Sports	Monday	3.30 to 4.30	Reception and KS1 (2 places still available)
Craft Club	Mrs Pickering	Monday	3.30 to 4.30	Years 5 and 6
Story Time	Mrs Ryder	Tuesday	3.30 to 4.00	Nursery and Reception – in the Reception Classroom – Just turn up!
Gymnastics	Mrs Dixon	Tuesday	3.30 to 4.30	Y4/Y5/Y6

Science and DT	Mrs Spence	Tuesday	3.30 to 4.30	Currently Full
Netball	Mrs Pearson & Miss Brough	Tuesday	3.30 to 4.30	Years 5 and 6
Multi Sports	Onside Sports	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.30	KS2 (3 places still available)
Colouring Club	Mrs Ryder	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.15	To be held in Nursery
Debate Club	Mrs Judd	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.15	Y4/Y5/Y6
Guitar Club	James (Cumbria Music Service)	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.00	Currently Full
Performing Arts & Singing for Fun	Mrs Croskery/ Mrs Wright	Thursday	3.30 to 4.30	Currently Full
Football	Mr Maguire	Friday	3.30 to 4.30	Limited Places