



Dalton St Mary's CE Primary School

Autumn Term

Newsletter 14

12th December 2018

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

The excitement is beginning to build in school with the Nativity today and the children are looking forward to the parties on Monday and Tuesday this week. Children should arrive at school dressed ready on the morning of their party, thank you for your support with this. The Carol Service is being held on Friday 21st December in Church at 1:00pm, I do hope as many of you as possible will be able to join us for this, please extend this invitation to Grandparents and family members. We will welcome the children back into school on **Tuesday 8th January 2019**.

End of Term Arrangements

The Carol Service is to be held in Church at 1:00pm on Friday 21st December 2018, I do hope as many of you as possible will be able to join us for this, please extend this invitation to Grandparents and family members. **All children should be collected from Church at 1.50pm.** We are required to finish promptly at 1.50pm as the Christmas Tree Festival opens at 2.00pm. We will be using the one-way system for collecting children as this is working really well. If you wish your child to walk home by themselves, they must bring a note with permission into school on the morning of the service. If you know someone else will be collecting your child could you please send a note or call the office before 12 o'clock on the day of the service with details please.

After School Club

There will be no After School Club on the last day of term – Friday 21st December 2018.

Walkers for Church

If you are able to walk with us to Church for the end of term service could you please let Mrs Irving know in the office and we can link you up with a class. Thank you, your support is vital for events such as these as we require 27 walkers to meet our ratios.

Packed Lunches and Dinners

On Friday 21st December 2018 can I please ask that all children who have a packed lunch bring it to school in a carrier bag rather than a lunch box/bag? This means that it can simply be disposed of in school and we will not need to carry lunchboxes down to Church. It also avoids lunchboxes being left in school over the Christmas break as they get quite smelly!

Changes to Morning Routines

We are still planning to open the doors every morning at 8.45am for children to come straight into school as they arrive. This does not mean that school starts at 8.45am we are simply trying to prevent those children who arrive earlier on the playground standing in the cold. Staff are still getting used to the routine and doors will be opened as near to 8.45am as possible. Children will go straight to their classrooms; there will be a member of staff in each of the classrooms from this time. Children who attend Breakfast Club will remain in Breakfast Club until 8.55am when the school day officially begins.

School Applications

For any child wishing to join our Reception class in September 2019 the closing date for applications is 15th January 2019. If you know of any other families who may be interested in a place in our Reception class in September 2018 could you please alert them to this date. Any parents who need support with this process please contact Mrs Irving in the school office who will be happy to help.

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Dear God,

We thank you for your love and your promise to be with us. At school or work, at rest or play, help us to feel near to you and hear your voice. Guide us to always do our best in every situation and to love one another.

Amen

(Cassie-Ann Fleming Y4)

Dates for Diaries

Christmas Parties (Y1/Y2/Y5/Y6)		Monday 17 th December 2018
Christmas Parties (YN/YR/Y3/Y4)		Tuesday 18 th December 2018
Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas Jumper Day		Wednesday 19 th December 2018
Finish for Christmas – Service in Church	1.00-2.00	Friday 21 st December 2018
Back to school		Tuesday 8 th 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
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