



**ALL SAINTS**  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL  
KIRKBY OVERBLOW

## NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

**“AT ALL SAINTS WE ALL FLOURISH AND ACHIEVE AS A CHILD OF GOD”**

Preparations for our Christmas Festivities are well under way in school. Wherever I wander, I can see and hear Christmas songs and carols being sung, scripts being read and gifts being created. Please keep checking the website and newsletter for all the up-to-date information about our celebrations.

Our Rector, Revd Stuart Lewis, has given us a new Advent Wreath, which we will begin to use in Collective Worship next week. Each week we will light a candle as we focus on the themes of: hope, peace, joy, love and Jesus. This will lead us to our last day in school when we will gather around the Christmas Tree and sing carols together.

Have you noticed our new sign at the front of school? We also have a new sign for Kirkby Acorns and a couple of smaller signs showing visitors how to access the building. The colour scheme has changed from green to blue and the signs also incorporate the logos of YCST and the Fellowship.

I hope to see you all at the disco this evening and enjoy opening the very first door on your advent calendars on Saturday!

With every blessing,

Amber Andrews  
Headteacher

### **BAGS 2 SCHOOL – TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

Please fill your bags with any unwanted items of good quality second hand adults' and children's clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties and soft toys (sorry no bedding, curtains, towels, household linen or bric-a-brac please).

Please bring your bags to school on the morning of Tuesday 4th December and leave them at the top of the school car park just inside the double gates. The bags will be collected by a van from this spot. More bags are available from the cloakroom – please help yourself!

### **CHURCH COFFEE MORNING 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 9.30-11.30am**

Our Saturn and Jupiter class children and our recorder group will be performing at the coffee morning on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December in All Saints Church. Please come along if you can. The children will be performing at around 10.15am.

'Don't forget to help our school raise **free donations**. Remember easyfundraising every time you shop online. Click [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/kirkbyoverblowschoolpta](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/kirkbyoverblowschoolpta)'

## CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Below is a list of school activities that will be taking place this Christmas:

### **Tuesday 11th December—Nativity All Saints Church - 2.00pm & 6.30pm**

Our Mars, Saturn and Jupiter class children will be performing their nativity play at 2pm and 6.30pm in All Saints Church on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December. Mars, Saturn and Jupiter class parents read the following important information:

- Children should be brought back to the church for the evening performance by 6pm. The doors will open at 6.15pm. Please note that we cannot let any audience members in the church before this time as the children will be getting changed inside!
- To warm you up while you are waiting outside for the evening performance, our wonderful PTA/friends will be serving mince pies and mulled wine for a suggested donation of £1.50. Contributions of mince pies and bottles of mulled wine beforehand would be gratefully received.
- Please bring pre-school siblings to the afternoon performance only if possible.
- After both services there will be a retiring collection for church and school.

### **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December – PTA/Friends Magic Christmas Supper**

Our PTA/Friends are hosting a Magic Christmas supper on the 14<sup>th</sup> December in All Saints Church. We hope to have a fantastic evening amongst family and friends. Doors open from 6.30pm. Tickets (£10 adults, £5 children) will be on sale from the school office next week.

### **Christmas Hamper Raffle**

Following the success of our Christmas Hamper Raffle last year we will be holding the raffle again this year with the draw being made at our Christmas Magic Evening on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Families from each year group are invited to donate prizes towards their hamper. Lists of suggested items are on the classroom doors – please tick & sign if you are able to donate that item. Donations can be left in the box in the school corridor or in the school office.

Please sell as many raffle tickets as you can and return the stubs/money to school.

### **Tuesday 18th December – Mars and Saturn Class Trip to Harlow Carr Gardens**

Children in Mars and Saturn class will be enjoying a festive trip to Harlow Carr on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

### **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch**

All children will be treated to a special school Christmas lunch on this day.

### **Thursday 20th December - Whole School Christmas Party**

Children may wear their party clothes all day, or can bring something to change into at lunchtime. Requests for party food contributions will be sent out nearer the time. Please bring your contribution into school on the Thursday morning.

### **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

Our last day of term will be a non uniform day (Christmas jumpers welcome!) in return for a £1 donation to our PTA. School will finish for the Christmas holidays at **2pm** on this day.

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