



'the pathway to success'

Woodhouse Community Primary School

NEWS LETTER Week 4: ending 24.11.17



Light 1000 Christmas Lights: The Bishop Auckland Christmas Lights 'Now Light 1000 Christmas Lights' switch on, will be the Town Hall on 1st December. There will not be a parade through the town this year, but we will be singing at the Town Hall and we are the first school to unveil the advent windows in the town at 5pm. I am told there will be some very special guests, including The Mayor and even Santa himself, to unveil our window! We'd love to see as many of you come down to support us as possible.

Beamish Museum Visit: Y6 visited Beamish this week as part of their topic and had a fantastic time. Their behaviour and attitude was exemplary (as ever) and they have been doing some exciting writing and follow up work back in school. Well done, Year 6.

Chilli Glass: Miss Elmes and Mrs Gorton took the Art Club to Chilli Glass in Durham to create glass baubles ready for our Advent Window display in Bishop Auckland Town Hall. They were so excited and enthusiastic to work with glass and thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Durham Cathedral to see some stained glass windows for their inspiration. Thanks to Miss Elmes for organising and well done, children for being superb ambassadors for our school – again!

Class 3 Assembly last week: My apologies for not mentioning the fantastic assembly Y3 presented to parents and carers last week. The children were super confident in speaking in front of an audience and demonstrated a wide range of learning across the curriculum. They were an absolute credit to Mr Lockey and their Teaching Assistants as well as themselves. Well done, Y3!

School Visit: It was lovely to welcome Mrs Burnip with some of her staff from Langley Park Primary School to work with our classes this morning. It is always very valuable to work across schools with colleagues to share good practice and ideas. And of course it was lovely to welcome Mrs Burnip back for the morning, it was good to see her again!

Here comes the bride! I was delighted to be invited to a 'wedding' in Early Years this afternoon that of Rosie J and Charlie –Dylan. This came as a result of the children's interests which arose at the beginning of the week: we even had a beautiful wedding cake provided very kindly by Theresa Cooke: thank you very much. The children were so excited to prepare for the wedding and had a fantastic afternoon.

Astronomical Attendance:

WEEK 4	Whole Class Attendance % this week	Number of children with 100% attendance this week (and who received 3 Dojo Points)	% of class with 100% attendance this week
Reception	96.3	26/30	86.6 Highest 100% attendance this week ☺
Year 1	94.0	21/25	84.0
Year 2	93.3	23/30	76.6
Year 3	97.5 Highest attendance this week ☺	24/28	85.7
Year 4	94.4	25/29	86.2
Year 5	95.8	23/29	79.3
Year 6	93.3	23/30	76.6



Average attendance this week for Rec- Y6 = 95 %: on target, well done, everyone! Keep it up!

Lateness: 452 minutes have been lost due to lateness in school this week. Please ensure your child gets to school on time every morning: we will be in contact with those parents where this is a continued pattern of lateness to reduce this and increase learning time.

Unauthorised absence: 1.29%

Absence due to illness: 3.18%

Lunchtime Supervisor's Good manners award : this week goes to Marlee Sullivan who has shown fantastic manners and positive attitude in school at lunch time this week: well done!

Dates for your diary

Friday 1st December	Town Hall Christmas Lights Switch on/Advent Window Parade 5pm
Monday 4th December	Whole School Pantomime: Cinderella
Monday 4th December	Parent/Teacher Xmas Craft Consultations: Y2 12-3pm
Tuesday 5th December	Parent/Teacher Xmas Craft Consultations: Y3 9-12noon
Tuesday 5th December	Parent/Teacher Xmas Craft Consultations: Y4 12-3pm
Wednesday 6th December	Parent/Teacher Xmas Craft Consultations: Y5 9-12noon
Wednesday 6th December	Parent/Teacher Xmas Craft Consultations: Y6 12-3pm
Thursday 7th December	Parent/Teacher Xmas Craft Consultations: Y1 9-12 noon Parent/Teacher Xmas Craft Consultations: EYFS all day
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas Production: For Y1, Y2 & Y3 Parents 9.30am
Thursday 14th December	Christmas Production: For Y4, Y5 & Y6 Parents 9.30am
Friday 15th December	Christmas Fayre 1.30-3.00pm
Monday 18th December	9.30-10.30 Carols at Woodhouse Close Church Y4, Y5 & Y6
Monday 18th December	Y5 & Y6 Christmas Party 1-3pm
Tuesday 19th December	9.30 – Little Rainbows and Nursery Christmas Performance for Parents
Tuesday 19th December	Y3 & Y4 Christmas Party 1-3pm
Wednesday 20th December	9.30 – Reception Christmas Performance for Parents
Wednesday 20th December	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Party 1-3pm
Thursday 21st December	Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 22nd December	Family Carols round the tree! 9.15-10.15: Reception, Y1 & Y2 10.45-11.45 Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6
Friday 22nd December	Break up for Christmas
Monday 8th January	Children return to school

Mrs Page Headteacher