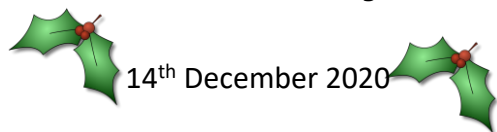


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A Nut Free School

Dear Parents,

We made it! A challenging term for us all, but I am delighted that we have kept our bubbles open and we have all been well. Many thanks to everyone in our school family for all you have done to keep us all safe this term. A special thankyou goes to all the staff at school for their continued attention to all the extra precautions we are taking in school and for adapting to new ways of teaching and new guidance.

Thanks also to those parents who have taken the time to email school to express their thanks for the Christmas activities. Here are a few:

"I think the activities you've arranged for this year's Christmas have been brilliant - child centred."

"Christmas loveliness has not been dampened at all for the children this year- it has still been just as sparkly and special, more so even."

"The staff at school have worked tirelessly this term to keep the children safe and SO happy."

"I just wanted to say thank you, to all the staff, for all the time and effort that has been put into making school such a happy place to be this Christmas."

Celebrations

Last week, the awards went to:

- Elliott (in Rowan) for trying hard in lots of different activities
- Jasper (in Willow) for working hard at Future Forest
- Tuira (in Oak) for brilliant fraction work in Maths



The Headteacher Award went to the two angels in Rowan's nativity (Elsie and Jasmine) for their maturity and confidence when performing. I could have chosen anyone in Rowan as the nativity is fabulous. The children have learnt their lines, joined in with fantastic singing and dancing, performed brilliantly, smiled lots....and all without an audience! Well done to all of Rowan class and to Mrs Wood and Mrs King too for their enthusiasm throughout. A special mention to Miss Hansford for her filming skills. The video will be out this week!

Animal of the Week

Our final animal of the term is the robin, a favourite of mine. Mr Norris has made a special plea for all children to try to do some work about robins this week. A drawing, research, a poem or painting, whatever you choose. Work can be posted on Seesaw or brought into school and dropped in the tray at the front gate.

Picture News

Story: This year's John Lewis Christmas advert revolves around a theme inspired by the kindness of the British public during the coronavirus pandemic.

Question: How can we show we care from afar?

Virtual Assembly: Found on the Picture News website



Compassion Trust Perseverance

Christmas Events last week

We had an action packed week last week with our Friends of Naburn Christmas adventures, a visit from the Derwent Lions, Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day. The children were amazing through all of these activities, joining in with enthusiasm, showing respect to our socially distanced visitors and getting back to work in between the excitement!

Read on for what is happening this week:

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| Tuesday 15 th Dec | Willow Classroom Christmas Party – this is a craft afternoon |
| Weds 16 th Dec | Rowan Classroom party – children can wear party clothes Oak Classroom Christmas Party – this is a craft afternoon |
| Thurs 17 th Dec | LIVE! Christmas reading of The Little Christmas Tree by Santa |
| Fri 18 th Dec | Break up Advent trail in Naburn begins and lasts for a week (18 th to 24 th Dec, 5pm – 7pm). Mulled wine and treats are available outside the pub on Fri 18 th , Sat 19 th and Sun 20 th . We will be displaying Window number 4 so do watch out for our contribution to this super community idea. See the attached trail guide which outlines the route. You could print this and tick them off as you go. This is being organised via the Naburn Village Facebook page which is the best place to look for full details. |

When it is your class party, children can wear non uniform, choosing ‘clothes that make them happy’ as a celebration of all the work we have done this term on wellbeing and happiness. These could be party clothes but please remember to make sure your child will be warm enough at break and lunch when outdoors. Also be mindful that Willow and Oak will be crafting.

Advent

Here are this week’s ideas to try at home:



After School Club

There are still a few spaces available at the final Christmas Movie Club on Wednesday, where the festive film The Grinch will be showing. Healthy snacks will be provided as usual plus popcorn.

Friends of Naburn Just Giving Page

Please see below the link to our justgiving page. This is the first time that we have tried to fundraise virtually as physical events are just not possible at this time. Please do donate if you can and share with your families and friends, every little helps!!!! So far £305 has been raised, which is brilliant.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/friends-of-naburn-pta?utm_id=1&utm_term=4nVnxMXW5

Naburn Flood Alleviation Scheme – Public zoom invitation

Zoom login details are below for Tuesday's meeting. There will be an update on the scheme and an opportunity to ask questions. Please do join if you can.

6:30pm on Tuesday, 15th December 2020

Zoom meeting ID: 845 2763 9643

Password: NaburnC3

Holiday arrangements

As we said last week, we will **not** be breaking up early for Christmas, as the announcement from the government was far too late in the day and would have caused far too much disruption for families. We will close for Christmas as planned on Friday. A letter will follow later this week with details about what to do should your child develop symptoms over the Christmas break, as we all need to work with Track and Trace to try to minimise spread of the virus.

Please stay safe over Christmas and take lots of care so that we can all come back healthy and happy in the New Year.

Many thanks,
Mrs Christmason!
Headteacher

Don't forget, you can help us to raise funds every time you shop online. Visit:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/naburnschool/>