



Whalton School News

Autumn Term

30th November 2018

Advent – Wansbeck Valley Food Bank

Our Advent Collection 'Bringing hope to others.'

In school we will be taking turns to open a door on our class Advent Calendars.

As we do this we are encouraging everybody to, on their 'door opening' day, or after if they forget, to bring in an item which can be donated to the Wansbeck Valley Food Bank.

This could be a tin or packet (no fresh food). See below a list of items which they are currently requesting. It might help you decide.

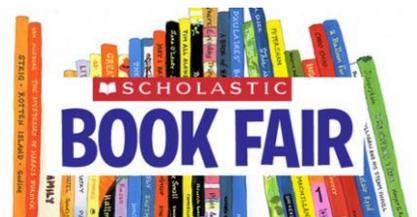
Currently they are after: Long Life Milk, Tins of Carrots, Tins of Sweetcorn, Packets of Potato Mash, Tins of Rice Pudding, Toilet Rolls In addition: Shower gel, Shampoo, Toothpaste, and small Bars of Chocolate would be gratefully received.

We hope that you will feel able to take part in this.

Many thanks Mrs Julie Potter and the RE Ambassadors

Scholastic Book Fair – 26th – 5th December

Many thanks for all those who attended the Book Fair - school will be able to purchase many books based on the total raised. We have extended our book fair date to Wednesday 5th December so please feel free to pop in to school and browse our selection of books from 3:15 to 4pm in the school hall.



Back to the 80s" - Year 6 Visit to Ponteland Community High School

Here are Year 6's comments to the children from Ponteland Community High School.

Dear Cast,

Thank you for inviting us to your tremendous performance - it was hilarious 'wax on, wax off, paint the fence!'

You must have practised so hard and your hard work has paid off!!

The dancing was spectacular and got us dancing in our seats (thank you again for the best seats in the house!).

It has inspired us to take part in future performances and we will look forward to seeing your upcoming shows!

Thanks again,

Year 6 at Whalton C of E Primary School

Christmas Performance - PTA Raffle donations

At both of the Christmas performances the PTA will, as in previous years, be running a raffle to win Christmas hampers. We are now collecting contributions to these hampers. Any nice treats are welcomed and this year, as well as shop bought goods, we would appreciate any home crafted or home cooked goods. Please bring your contributions in to school **by no later than Friday 7th December.**



Also this year we will be trialling a Christmas Jumper sale. If you have any outgrown or no longer used Christmas jumpers please drop them off **by no later than Friday 7th December** for the PTA and we will be selling them at the Christmas performances.

Finally we would like to announce that a gift amnesty will be run in January - dates to be announced later. Any doubles or unwanted gifts can be brought into school and these will be recycled at PTA events to raise money for the school.

Thank you once again for your continued support.



Christmas Performance Programme - Whalton School Association

If you would like to advertise your business in our Christmas Performance Programme please forward your advert to: whaltonadmin@fedlongwhaltschools.uk. The cost of an advert is £10.00 for an A5 advert. All of the monies raised from advertising is given to school to buy resources for the children. Thank you.

Christmas Post box

The School Christmas Post box is now up and running. If your child would like to send Christmas cards to friends or staff at Whalton Primary School the free post service has begun! Please remember to clearly write children's names and class on your envelopes. This makes it much easier for our post men to sort!

The box can be found in the school's main reception.



New Year Family Lunch - Monday 14th January 2019

Mrs Brannen would like to invite you all to a New Year Family Lunch on Monday 14th January 2019 at 12:00pm. We are initially offering one place per family, due to the capacity of our hall and this will cost £3.50 per adult (made payable via School Gateway). It would be lovely to see you there.

Please return your consent slip to school by no later than Wednesday 19th December so we can confirm numbers with Fiona. Once we have received your slip, parent guests will receive a confirmation slip. Please contact school if you do not receive a confirmation slip. Thank you.

Tuesday Lunchtime Football Club

This has proved quite popular at lunchtimes this term. We hope to resume this club in the Summer Term.

Dress for the weather!

Wellies, coats, scarfs and hats or caps! Whatever the weather we try to have fresh air whenever we can!



Whalton School Association Lottery Draw

Congratulations to David Browell who won the draw for November!



Dates for your diary -

Thursday 6th December - Whole school Christmas theatre visit to The Dovecote Centre in Amble



Friday 7th December - Christingle Church Service - 2:00pm in Church

Monday 10th December - Rehearsal in Village Hall - Please collect children from the Village Hall at 3:10pm

Monday 10th December - Year 4 Learning Alliance Concert - Sage Gateshead - 7:00pm - 9:15pm

Tuesday 11th December - Rehearsal in Village Hall - Please collect children from Village Hall at 3:10pm

Wednesday 12th December - Afternoon Christmas Performance - 1:30pm at the Village Hall

Thursday 13th December - Evening Christmas Performance - 6:00pm at the Village Hall (children to arrive for 5:30pm)

Friday 14th December - Save the Children 'Christmas Jumper' Day

Monday 17th December - Year 5 and 6 theatre visit to The Queen's Hall in Hexham

Tuesday 18th December - Christmas Dinner for children - 12 noon in school

Thursday 20th December - Christmas Party for children (come dressed in party clothes)

Friday 21st December - Christmas Service - 2:00pm in Church

Friday 21st December - School breaks up for the Christmas Holidays

Monday 7th January - School re-opens - spring term 1

Monday 14th January - New Year Family Lunch

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