

We come to the end of a very busy Autumn Term that has been jam-packed with trips, competitions, events and performances so as Christmas draws closer we're all looking forward to a well-earned rest. I would like to say thank you to the staff and the pupils for all of their hard work throughout the term, and indeed the support we receive from parents/carers and family members in making a difference to so many young lives. Finally, I would like to wish all pupils, parents/carers and family members, from all the staff and Governors of the school, a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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#### Important Dates

**Monday 7th January**—All pupils return back to school.

**Tuesday 8th January**—Y6 project launch trip to Nissan.

**Monday 14th January**—YN & YR Open lesson-parents invited 9.15am-10.15am.

**Wednesday 6th February**—Year 2 trip to Walker Activity Dome.

**Thursday 7th February**—YN & YR project launch trip to Northern Stage.

**Friday 8th February**—Non uniform day—fine unwanted gifts/toiletries.

**Friday 15th February**—Break up for half-term.

**Monday 25th February**—All pupils return back to school.



#### In assembly this week we...

Talked about what Christmas means to everyone and focused on it being a time for giving and spending time with those we love. We hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas break together.

#### Christmas Collection

Thank you to everyone who brought in selection boxes and other Christmas chocolates. We have now taken these to The People's Kitchen and they were greatly appreciated.

#### Y5 Performance and Whole school Carol Concert

Well done to all of the pupils who took part in the Y5 re-telling of the Nativity yesterday morning and especially Year 5 who were fantastic with their version of the Nativity. It was lovely to see parents/carers at the service. Thank you to the PFA for helping out with tea and coffee once again your support is hugely appreciated.

#### Reception Applications 2018

If your child is due to start Reception class in September 2019 you can now apply online at: [www.newcastle.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.newcastle.gov.uk/admissions)  
The deadline for Reception applications is midday on the 15th January 2018. If you have any further queries please contact School Admissions on: Email: [admissions.information@newcastle.gov.uk](mailto:admissions.information@newcastle.gov.uk)  
Phone: 01912787878

#### Successful Learners

**YR**-Charlie A & Tilly for both persevering with their handwriting, forming cursive letters correctly.

**Y1**-Crystal for being very caring to all of her friends and always having respect for others.

Phoenix for showing great respect in class and for persevering in literacy.

**Y2**-Noah for showing great respect towards other opinions.

Joe for great teamwork this week and all term.

**Y3**-Kieran C for making a huge effort to improve his behaviour and not losing golden time.

Faye for always having a lovely attitude and for caring about everyone she meets.

**Y4**-Suha for always having a positive attitude and being a role model in Year 4.

George for showing a caring attitude towards our classroom and for tidying up without being asked.

**Y5**-Sam for always trying to improve on his work and having a great Autumn

#### Y1 and Y2 Performance

Thank you to all of the parents/carers who came to see Year 1 and Year 2's performance of 'The Goblins Next Door' on Wednesday morning. It was great to see all of the children's hard work come to fruition. They made the staff extremely proud-Well done!!

#### Y4 & Y5 trip to Kenton School

Thank you to our friends at Kenton School for inviting us on Wednesday morning for a fantastic performance of 'The Chamber of Horrors'. Year 4 and 5 had a wonderful time. Well done to all of the performers-you are all very talented!



#### Christmas Fair

Thank you to all of the parents/carers, friends and family members who came along to support our Christmas Fair last week. The event was a great success we managed to raise a huge £877.39. The fair could not happen without your kind donations on non-uniform days, as well as the donations from local businesses for the raffle and support during the afternoon by providing stalls! Thank you all! A huge thank you must also go to the PFA who organise and run the event (and to our members of staff for running stalls) so that our children can enjoy themselves on the day and then gain through wider experiences as a result of the fundraising the fair creates. Thank you!!!! As was mentioned on Friday, the Chair and Vice-Chair of the PFA have now stepped down so new PFA members are needed if events like this are to continue. Please contact the school office for more info or speak to a member of the PFA.

#### Late's last week..

YR-6      Y1-6      Y2-1      Y3-4

Y4-5      Y5-2      Y6-2

**Early is on time. On time is late. Late is unacceptable.**



#### SMART- Half-Term Attendance challenge

Registration Group	%
Year 2	97%
Year 5	97%
Year 6	97%
Year 3	96%
Year 4	95%
Year 1	95%
Reception	93%

