

### Important dates for your diary!

**Tuesday 10th December** - Early Years Nativity performance 9:30 a.m. Parents welcome  
**Wednesday 11th December** - **Teacher Training Day, school closed**  
**Thursday 12th December** - Year 1 Nativity performance 9:30 a.m. Parents welcome  
**Friday 13th December** - Year 2 Nativity performance 9:30 a.m. Parents welcome  
**Monday 16th December** - Playgroup, Nursery & Reception Christmas Parties  
**Tuesday 17th December** - Years 3 & 4 Christmas Parties  
**Wednesday 18th December** - Years 5 & 6 Christmas Parties, **Christmas Jumper Day and School Christmas Lunch Day for the whole school!**  
**Thursday 19th December** - Years 1 & 2 Christmas Parties, **Christmas Craft Morning 9:00 - 10:00 am Parents Welcome!**



### Attendance

Registration Group	%
6SE	96.2
3NJ	95.8
RAW	94.5
4AK	94.5
2AH	94.1
2LK	93.2
3MS	91.7
5LL	91.7
1VT	90.9
RJC	90.0
N2JB	89.2
5JW	89.0
6FC	88.7
1DD	87.8
E2PB	79.0
<b>Overall</b>	<b>92.2</b>
<b>School Target</b>	96.0



### Star of the Week!



Class	Child	Award for...
RAW	Carson	Always sharing and playing well with others
RJC	Ethan	Always being kind and sharing with his friends
1DD	Skyla	Sharing fantastic ideas during whole class learning
1VT	Salem	Sharing great ideas and building excellent friendships
2AH	Kilian	Sharing fantastic ideas during our class discussions
2LK	Olivia	Sharing on our school trip
3MS	Sinaed	Always sharing and thinking of others
3NJ	Aaron	Sharing ideas in English
4AK	Daniel	Sharing a book with his friends
5JW	Leighton	Sharing his maths knowledge and helping others
5LL	Fatima	Always sharing ideas with others
6FC	Alex	Sharing his fantastic artwork
6SE	Sabrina	Always sharing her stories and heritage with others in the class

### Reflection Corner

Loving God,  
 Thank you for the good things you  
 have given us.  
 Help us to be kind and generous.

Teach us to share.

Amen



### Wellbeing

The nights are drawing in and the mornings remain darker for longer therefore we are reminding you all to take extra care when you are out and about in the community or on your way to and from school.

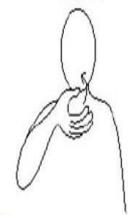
If you travel to school on a scooter or bike it would be a good idea to get some lights or reflectors to make you more visible. You can also buy clothing with reflective material added so you can be seen easier in the dark.

### Makaton

Eat



Drink



## EYFS

### Tiddlywinks

This week Nursery have had a visit from Shirley and Tiddlywinks. We enjoyed Winter Wonderland Activities and then Santa came to visit! Have a look on Tapestry to see some photos.

### Seven Stories Story Workshop

All classes in Early Years have done a story workshop with Seven Stories this week. We listened to the 'Stick Man' story and did some lovely story activities too!

## KS1

This week, KS1 have been practising the Nativity in preparation for their performances next week. They can't wait to showcase their efforts for parent and carers. The children have been given two tickets each for the performance, which you will need to bring with you.

**Year 1 parents/carers - Thursday 12th December  
9.30am**

**Year 2 parents/carers - Friday 13th December 9.30am**

**SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2019 FOR STAFF TRAINING**

**SCHOOL WILL BE OPEN AS NORMAL ON THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2019, WE ARE NOT CLOSED FOR VOTING**

### **Reminder - After School Clubs have now ended for this term**

There will be **no after school clubs** from week starting **Monday 9th December** or **Monday 16th December** 2019. Letters will go out when we return to school in January 2020 for new clubs options.

### **Medical/Dental Appointments**

Where possible, please can we ask that parents/carers make medical or dental appointments for their children before or after the school day. If this is unavoidable and an appointment has to be made during school hours, please bring the appointment card/slip/text to the school office as far in advance of the appointment as possible. Please don't leave it until the day of the appointment to inform us. This can cause disruption and problems, especially if the class have an offsite activity planned and we have not been given enough notice of the appointment to make arrangements for the child to be kept back at school. Also, if evidence of the appointment is not provided your child will receive an unauthorised mark on the register against their attendance. Your co-operation is appreciated.

### **Ballet Lorent - Christmas Creative Dance**

Christmas Creative Dance, with balletLORENT – a stone's throw from Newcastle's main shopping streets and Christmas Lights! 3 evenings of creative play, physical improvisations, imaginative storytelling, and plenty of dance accompanied by all our favourite Christmas music! For children aged 7-12yrs. Children will have the chance to create festive dance fantasies, and make their own winter wonderland! Delivered by our own experienced company elves, this will leave you with the festive vibes and creative warmth! Free sharing for families and friends at 6pm on Thursday 12 December. Cost: £60 Tues 10 – Thurs 12 December 2019 4.15-6.30pm, To book your place: Email: james@balletlorent.com Tel: 0191 233 1811, [www.balletlorent.com](http://www.balletlorent.com) (MEA House Auditorium Ellison Place Newcastle NE1 8XS)

### **School Christmas Fair**

We would like to say a huge Thank You to everyone who came to support our school at the Christmas Fayre—we raised a grand total of £958.90. We really kick started the festive season with a bang. A special Thank You goes out to all the wonderful parents, children and staff who donated toys, chocolates and prizes for our raffle. We must also thank the generous businesses who donated prizes for our raffle; The Lancastrian Suite, Theatre Royal, Namco, NUFC Foundation to name but a few. As always, Mrs Day's mum Carol and her friend delighted us with her stall and donated all of their proceeds to the school and Mrs Turnbull worked her magic and made a wonderful Santa's Grotto as well as arranging for her friend Alan to be our DJ who played us Christmas Songs throughout the afternoon.

Finally, Thank you to Mrs Scott and Miss Hide for organising the fair—it was fab as always.

## LKS2

Year 4 had fun at Kids Kabin this week making cheese straws, 3D cake boxes, sweets and treats and drama—acting out Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

Year 3 have been out in the school grounds planting trees.



## UKS2

**We have our Christmas Decorations up in phase and some children helped to decorate the tree! It looks lovely!**

**This week is the first week of Advent and we have been thinking about how we can help others as we prepare for Jesus' Birth on Christmas Day.**

**We have also been writing the Christmas Story from different viewpoints of the people who were there.**