



**Nanpean Community Primary School**



# NEWSLETTER

7/12/2018

We hope you feel that you are always treated fairly, and feel able to come into school to discuss issues. We are always open to reviewing our equity policies.

## STARS OF THE WEEK

Each week, Nanpean School staff choose one pupil from their class who has shone to be their class star. This could be due to their consistently good behaviour, putting a lot of effort into their work, or their super learning. **'Star of the Week' slips go home in the bookbags of the children chosen as our Stars every Thursday.**

This week our stars are:

**Eden— Elliott Dawidiuk** for always being a kind and helpful member of Eden Class.

**Hendra— Charlie Dyer** for his excellent singing in play practice.

**Prosper— Dylan Hocking** for demonstrating and embracing true Christmas spirit and showing great kindness to his classmates.

**Karlsruhe— Maisy Screech** for supporting her peers in class.

**Melbur— Marlow Davies** for his increased independence and having a positive learning attitude.

**Drinnick— Lia-Mai Orchard** for constantly being involved in all lessons.

**Rosemellyn— Carlie Warne** for becoming more independent across all her work this week.

## LUNCHTIME AWARD

Each week we present a child with a Lunchtime Award. This is to recognise and reward a child who has been notably kind, helpful or well behaved during lunchtimes for the week. This week our Lunchtime Award goes to:

**Owen Riddle** for going out of his way to be super helpful.

## BUSY BEES

Busy Bees are awards given out to children to acknowledge that an aspect of their learning or behaviour is exceptional.



**Callum Palmer** for his excellent response to feedback when redrafting writing.

**Bradley Whitford** for his outstanding improvements to his writing.

**Daniel Barlow** for his tremendous effort with independent writing.  
**Stacey Hambly** for her excellent understanding of fractions of amounts.

**Polina Koleda** for her excellent understanding of fractions of amounts.

## ATTENDANCE

w/c 03/12/2018		Karlsruhe	98.08%
Eden	94.74%	Melbur	97.28%
Hendra	100%	Drinnick	98.13%
<b>Prosper</b>	<b>100%</b>	Rosemellyn	98.61%

## REMINDERS

⇒ **Please see overleaf for details of after school club cancellations.**

### ⇒ KS1 Nativity Performance ~ Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th December

Our KS1 Nativity will be taking place next week! The children have been working very hard at learning the songs, dances and words for 'A Christmas Recipe' and are looking forward to performing their play for parents/ carers and family members. The performances will be taking place on the following days and times:

**Tuesday 11th December 2018 at 2pm**—Performance for the whole school and for parents/ carers with children under school age.  
**Tuesday 11th December 2018 at 5.30pm**—Evening performance for parents/ carers and family members. Children in KS1 will need to be brought back to school at 5pm so that they can change and prepare for this performance.

**Wednesday 12th December 2018 at 2pm**—Afternoon performance for parents/ carers and family members. Letters offering additional seats for the performances were sent out last week. You will be informed by text as to whether additional seats have been allocated to you. Please note that there will be no tickets for the nativity this year.

### ⇒ Christmas Dinner

Our school Christmas Dinner took place on Wednesday. Children had their festive lunch complete with crackers and they looked great in their Christmassy jumpers! Thank you to the kitchen staff; Mandy, Jane and Kimberly, who worked so hard to ensure that the Christmas dinner was a great success.

### ⇒ Christmas Fair ~ Wednesday 19th December

Our Christmas Fair will be taking place from 1.30pm on Wednesday 19th December and all are welcome to join us for the afternoon! Children must be collected from their normal class exits by 1.15pm to walk around and enter the Fair through the hall main doors. Drinnick and Karlsruhe Class will be performing a selection of classic Christmas songs in Drinnick's outside area from 1.15pm and so children in these classes can be collected from Drinnick's external door following this performance. We are looking for volunteers to help during the Fair. If you are available and are a keen face painter or tea/ coffee maker, we would be particularly grateful for your assistance! Please let the office know if you are able to help us out. We will also be accepting donations of cakes/ mince pies and teddy bears in good condition for the Fair. If you are able to donate any of these items, please drop them into the office.

### ⇒ Christmas Holiday Dates

A reminder that we will be breaking up for the Christmas Holidays at 3.10pm on Thursday 20th December. As Monday 7th January 2019 is an INSET day for the school, we will all return on Tuesday 8th January 2019.

⇒ **SEND Parent Drop In**  
This week, Ms Grindrod and Mrs Williams led on an SEND Parent Drop In session. This session had a Dyslexia focus. Thank you to the parents/ carers who attended this session and provided valuable feedback on all the work Ms Grindrod and Mrs Williams have been doing to support children who have been diagnosed as, or who show signs of, Dyslexia in the school.

⇒ **We will be going Paperless-ish!**  
To be more environmentally friendly, and to allow more money to go into educating children and delivering our curriculum, we will be going paperless for all communications that do not require parental response from January 2019. This means that all newsletters etc. will be uploaded to the website and sent out via eSchools. We are giving advance notice to give parents/ carers opportunity to log in to their eSchools account. Please do ensure that you check the newsletter each week as key information is sent out in this. Parents/ carers not checking the newsletter is not an acceptable reason for missing crucial information about school events. If you have no internet access at home, and will still need paper copies, please let the office know.

⇒ **Parent Conduct**  
At Nanpean School we strive to build a strong relationship with parents/ carers. In order to create a welcoming and safe learning environment, the school implements a specific set of rules regarding behaviour and conduct which parents and visitors are expected to act in accordance with. Whilst parents are on the premises, it is expected that they treat all staff members, pupils, other parents and external agencies with dignity and respect. We are committed to resolving difficulties in a constructive manner, through an open and positive dialogue. We do understand that everyday misunderstandings can cause frustrations. However, the school take instances of inappropriate behaviour very seriously and will not tolerate any circumstances which may make pupils, members of staff, or other parents feel threatened.

⇒ **December Parent Forum ~ Wednesday 5th December**  
Thank you to the parents/ carers who attended our December Parent's Forum this week with Miss Morton. A number of events, such as the Valentine's Disco, Lunch and Learn, and Meet the Teacher sessions were discussed. The forum also asked about potential improvements to the site, especially considering the abysmal weather we have been having of late, and Parent Pay. The minutes of this month's meeting have been uploaded to the website. The next Parent's Forum will take place on **Wednesday 9th January 2019** with Mr Nicholls.

⇒ **ePay on eSchools**  
We will be trialling ePay on eSchools for the next couple of weeks. Unfortunately, it is not as flexible as we would like so this will be a time where amendments to the system may be required to meet our school's needs. ePay will be automatically linked to the dinner ordering system. However, the system doesn't currently allow for the 5 meals for £10 discount. This discount will be added manually on a Friday for the week. Parents/ carers can access ePay via the eSchools app or webpage. You may still pay using cash if required.

⇒ **Cancelled After School Clubs ~ w/c 10/12/18**  
We appreciate that clubs not running can be frustrating for parents/ carers however, we would like to remind you that clubs are run voluntarily by staff and are not to be used as guaranteed childcare. Please remember that administrative staff are the messengers, so when we are required to remind you that clubs are cancelled, please do not take your frustrations out on them! We do endeavour to give parents/ carers as much notice of club cancellations as possible, but it is important that the newsletter is checked every week for cancellations so that alternative arrangements can be made in good time. **Monday 10th December; Stay and Play Club cancelled** to allow for KS1 nativity preparations.

**Tuesday 11th December; Netball, and Cosmic Yoga Club Cancelled** as the KS1 evening performance will be taking place.

**Thursday 12th December; Eco-Schools is cancelled** due to the KS1 nativity.

**There are no clubs running during w/c 17th December as it is the last week of term!**

⇒ **Final Celebration Assembly of 2018**  
Friday 14th December at 9am will be our last Celebration Assembly of 2018. Parents/ carers are welcome to join us for this assembly and celebrate the children's achievements over the week with us. If your child has had any external awards or achievements, please ensure these are handed into the office by Thursday 13th December.

⇒ **Site Flooding**  
We have been unfortunate in suffering from really horrible weather of late, which has worsened the problems we have been having with the site flooding. When the pathway is flooded outside of Drinnick, all children can enter the school through the KS2 entrance.

### **DIARY DATES**

#### **Autumn Term 2018**

**Tuesday 11th December, 2:00pm**—KS1 Nativity dress rehearsal

**Tuesday 11th December, 5:30pm**—KS1 Nativity

**Wednesday 12th December, 2:00pm**—KS1 Nativity

**Wednesday 12th December, 2:00pm**—Brannel Xmas Fayre

**Wednesday 19th December, 1:30pm**—Christmas Fair

**Thursday 20th December**—LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM

#### **Spring Term 2019**

**Monday 7th January 2019**—INSET DAY 4

**Tuesday 8th January**—first day of Spring term

**Wednesday 9th January, 9am**—Parents Forum with Mr Nicholls

**Monday 28th January**—Y5/6 Tag Rugby tournament, Brannel

**Wednesday 6th February, 9am**—Parents Forum

PLEASE NOTE that some dates in the Spring Term will be changing. We will update you with new dates as soon as we are able to.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss C Morton  
Acting Head teacher

