



Next Week's Events

Monday 26th November –

Dance after school club

Pay & Play after school club

Tuesday 27th November –

Sports club with Ben & Pay & Play after school club

Wednesday 28th November –

Joolz after school club followed by Pay & Play

Thursday 29th November –

Performing Arts after school club with AJ Academy

Future Diary Dates

Thursday 6th December - AJ

Performance – Village Hall
4.15pm

Friday 7th December –

Christmas Fair 3pm – 4.30pm at the Village Hall

Tuesday 11th December – Joint

whole school trip with Melsonby School to see Aladdin at Darlington Hippodrome.

Friday 14th December –

Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 17th December – Dress

rehearsal of Xmas Production
1.30pm

Tuesday 18th December –

Christmas Party

Wednesday 19th December –

Christmas dinner

Thursday 20th December –

Christmas Production 6pm at Village Hall – mulled wine / cheese from 5.30pm

Friday 21st December – Carol

Service at Melsonby Church
9.30am

Carol Service at North Cowton Village Hall 2pm – children can leave afterwards

Don't Forget:

Signed reading records Monday (years 4, 5 & 6).

Waterproof coat every day

Achievers: Luke, Florence & Harper

Christmas hampers

We are planning to raffle hampers again this year, at our Christmas Production. We would like to put together a food hamper, and 2 children's hampers, one for a boy & one for a girl, so would be extremely grateful for donations towards these. Thank you.

Christmas Fair

A reminder that the Christmas Fair will be held on Friday 7th December from 3pm – 4.30pm, in the Village Hall. We have invited local stallholders who will pay a nominal amount and also provide a raffle prize. Tickets are available from the office, priced at £2.00, to include a mince pie and glass of mulled wine and juice and biscuits for the children.

All the schoolchildren will be visiting the Christmas Fair so should be picked up from the hall at 3.30pm. Those who wish to can send in spending money for their child (in a named purse/envelope please).

Competition

As part of the Christmas Fair, we are running a competition to make a Christmas tree decoration. There are no strict rules, just something decorative that will hang on a tree. There are 4 age groups – pre-school, Infant, Junior and Adult. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of each section and these will be announced at the Christmas Fair. Entries should be handed in to the school office no later than Tuesday 4th December.

AJ Performance

Those who attend the AJ Academy after school club will be performing for parents at the Village Hall on Thursday 6th December at 4.15pm. All are welcome. Please note this will be the last AJ after school club until next term.

Whole school cycle day

What a fantastic day we had on Monday with Phil Bateman, an ex- Olympic cyclist. Phil worked with small groups of children, on the tennis courts and in the village hall, and taught them how to do a simple bike check & how to keep safe whilst cycling. The children then completed a very simple obstacle course, learning skills and techniques. We had a mock velodrome with a peloton and breakaway group, just like in the Tour de France. All the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and had great fun in a safe and supervised learning environment.

Football tournament

Some of the girls took part in a football tournament at Michael Sydall School today. Although they have been practicing at break times, they seemed a little reluctant at first, especially as some of them had not played a competitive match before. However, once they got into the game, their confidence grew and we had some clear skills and teamwork emerging. The girls played really well, even though we had to include some year 4 children in a year 5/6 match!!

Joolz – DT

Joolz would like the infant children to collect cardboard boxes to be used in junk modelling. Thank you.

Children in Need

The grand total raised by the children for Children in Need was £47.91. Well done!

School photographs

A reminder that any orders for school photographs should be made as soon as possible. It is easier, and cheaper, to order on-line but if anybody would prefer to pay with a cheque via the school, the photographer will be in school on Wednesday morning to collect any orders.

Christmas food

Please find attached a slip giving details of an item we would like you to donate for our Christmas Party. We do appreciate that parents are very busy, particularly at this time of year, but we are extremely grateful for your help.

Outdoor clothing

Please could you make sure your child has a coat with a hood or brings a hat, now that the colder weather is here. We do still go outside as much as possible, both at break times and at lunchtimes, even if it is wet or drizzly.

Christmas lunch

Michelle is cooking Christmas lunch on Wednesday 19th December. If your child would like Christmas lunch and you have not already let Mrs Hughes know, please do so on Monday, as we need to place the food order on Tuesday.

Junior homework

The junior children are having a break from their usual homework as Mrs Sayer would like them all to concentrate on learning and improving their times tables. If they would still like to do the usual homework, this can be handed in as usual but the emphasis at present is on times tables.

Cycle Helmet designs

If any of the children have designed a cycle helmet and not yet handed it in to Mrs Hughes, please could they do so as soon as possible. Closing date is Monday. Thank you.
