



## Next Week's Events

**W/C Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January–**

**TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January–**

FREE sports club until 4.30pm  
**followed by** Pay & Play after school club

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January–**

Craft after school club with Mrs Simpson

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January – AJ**

Academy after school club followed by Pay & Play

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January –** Walk through the bible session with Jen for whole school

Swimming sessions start for group of 4 children – those involved have had a letter

## Future Diary Dates

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January –** training day – SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January –** BACK TO SCHOOL

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January –** Sports event for some year 3 / 4 children.

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February –** whole school Judo morning

## School Council - Achievers

The School Council met this week and decided to present end of year certificates to 2 pupils who they thought deserved recognition. Those chosen were Mia & Toby for always being good citizens and following school rules. Well done!

## Pantomime on

What a great afternoon we had at the pantomime on Monday. We joined with Melsonby School and watched a performance of Aladdin at the Georgian Theatre in Richmond. Orla was lucky enough to be picked out to help on stage during a song and received a pink teddy bear as a thank you.

## Christmas Party

Another action-packed afternoon was had by us all on Tuesday. The children enjoyed their annual Christmas Party, complete with a visit from Santa, who luckily had some free time in his busy schedule. Each child received a gift, which they all decided to open this year!

## Mr Watson

As you will be aware, Wednesday was Mr Watson's last day in our school, although he is still employed as head teacher until the end of December. The children said their goodbyes at lunchtime when Mr Watson was presented with a home-made card which they had all signed. He gave all the children some sweets in assembly on Monday but some of the children did not know why they were given sweets as they did not know he was leaving! In fact, one of the children burst into tears at the news! Mr Watson will be missed by us all but has promised to keep in touch.

## Mr Linsley

Mr Richard Linsley is taking over from Mr Watson, as Executive Headteacher, until the end of the summer term. Some of you will have already met him at our Christmas Production. He will be in school a day and a half each week – we will let you know which days exactly when this has been finalised.

## Messages to school

A reminder that although Facebook is a good platform for us to advertise events and keep parents up to date with what is going on in school, the correct and official method of communication to school is via the office, either by email, text or telephone call. This includes illnesses, holidays from school, lunch information, breakfast club and after school club bookings and any general queries or questions etc. etc.

## Robinwood

We have booked our junior residential trip for next year. The children will be visiting Robinwood Activity Centre at Alston, Cumbria from 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> June. The cost is £180.00 per child or £170.00 per child if there are two children in the same family attending. The cost has been subsidised by the school, as it was last year. Payment in instalments will be set up on the on-line system, with the deposit of £50 per child due by Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January.

## Happy Christmas

We would like to wish all the children a safe and happy Christmas holiday and look forward to seeing them again in the new year.