

Friday Flyer

Friday 6th December 2019

Head teacher Update

This has been a tricky week in school with many staff and children feeling unwell. Thank you for helping us to limit the spread of infection by keeping children off when they feel unwell and adhering to the 48 hours off after the symptoms have stopped.

Christmas performance practice is well under way but has been impacted by higher than usual absence. We will try our best next week in the performances but will be crossing our fingers too! Tickets have now been distributed for all performances. Please remember to bring your tickets to the performances to avoid disappointment at the door.

We are also really looking forward to the Christmas Fair next Friday, don't forget to put the date in your diary!

Year 2 visit The Methodist Church

On Thursday our Year 2 children visited Ponteland Methodist Church for a "Christmas journey".



Sale of used uniform – an eco alternative!

We will be running a used uniform stall at our Xmas Fayre next week - please bring in any used uniform which is in a good enough condition to pass on and re-sell. Please ensure that it is washed and ironed ready to go to a new home. We will take sweatshirts, cardigans, polo tops, trousers and skirts. Please send in any contributions by Thursday 12 December.

Wednesday 11 December



Newcastle United v Southampton

Thank you to Newcastle United Foundation who have donated 5 pairs of tickets for Sunday's match. We have given them to 5 really deserving children who have worked their socks off and really deserve a treat. We hope that they enjoy the game!

Christmas Tree – free to a good home

This will be our final Christmas in our current premises. We have had the same Christmas tree in the hall for the 12 years that we have been in this building but sadly we will not be taking it with us. If you know of a good home for it please let us know and we will happily donate it complete with lights.



Cross Country Runners

Mr Davison was really proud of our Y5 cross country runners who ran in the Northumberland County qualifier in Ovingham on Monday. This was a Y5/6 event and our runners all did extremely well. Sadly no one has made it through to the next round, however next year when they are in Y6 we are confident that they will qualify.

This term reception children have been visiting Ponteland Manor

The children from RR have been visiting Ponteland Manor each week to get to know some of the local residents. The weekly visits are a highlight of the week for the old people and the children too.

We split the children into two groups - one goes upstairs with Miss Anderson and Little Movers to do exercises with some residents. Meanwhile, the other group stay downstairs with Mrs Ramsay and chat to the same residents every week. Half way through the session the groups swap over.

Last week the children brought their favourite toy from home to show the residents. The idea was that they would chat about their toy and the residents would tell the children what they played with when they were little, except they couldn't remember!

The children have also brought photos from home, of holidays, their family etc, have taken a selection of books from school to share with the residents and played a nursery rhyme game. Next term RM will be visiting

Thank you for all of your contributions of tombola prizes for the Christmas Fair.

We love visiting Ponteland Manor



Upcoming Dates this half term

Friday 6 th December	Non-Uniform Day – in exchange for a donation to the Adult or Children’s Tombola for the Christmas Fair
Tuesday 10 December	9.15am - Reception Nativity 2.15pm - KS1 Christmas Performance Year 4 perform at The Sage 7pm
Wednesday 11 December	9.15am - KS1 Christmas Performance 2.15pm - Y5/6 Christmas Performance Christmas Lunch
Thursday 12 December	9.15am - Y5/6 Christmas Performance 2.15pm - Y3/4 Christmas Performance
Friday 13 December	9.15am - Y3/4 Christmas Performance 3.15pm - PTA Christmas Fair Christmas Jumper Day – in exchange for a bottle or chocolates for the Christmas Fair
Monday 16 December	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Party
Tuesday 17 December	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Party Big Foot Theatre perform “The Clumsiest Elf” – Reception & KS1
Wednesday 18 December	Nursery Christmas Party, Years 1 & 2 Christmas Party
Thursday 19 December	Reception Christmas Party Year 3 Trip – Whitehouse Farm
Friday 20 December	Christmas service at St Mary’s Church 1.30pm End of term
Monday 6 January	Teacher Training Day - School closed to children
Tuesday 7 January	Back to school