

Thought of the Week: "There is no charm equal to tenderness of heart." - Jane Austen

## celebrating success

### Head Teacher Awards

The following children were all given a Head Teacher Award Certificate for their outstanding work last week: Millie Loy, Katie Gudgin, Dean Foster, Faith Aiston, Imogen Ullock, Ethan Beecroft and Jack Stafford. Well done to all of you and keep up the good work!

### Star of the Week

Star of the Week Certificates were given to the following children: Ethan Robinson, Alyssa Moore, Millie Barker, Jamie Mason, Harlee Jobson, Thomas Kerry and Ellie Gee. These children all had Star Tea with Mr Sutherland due to their exemplary attitude.

### Mathletics

Oak class had the highest score last week with 15,032 points. Charlotte Mason had the highest individual score with 3,396 points. Well done everyone!!

### Ice-Cream Friday

The following children all had ice cream sundaes at last week at Ice-Cream Friday: Ryan Davies, Thomas Hanlon, Aiden Falloon, Bethany Carr, Justin Cook, Kristan Watts and Samantha Arkle. These children were rewarded for their exemplary behaviour.

## important information

### Attendance

Sycamore class had the highest attendance last week with 100% and whole school attendance was 98%. Please don't forget to ring 01670 822326 if your child is going to be late or unable to attend school.

### EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

The table below equates how much time your child misses in class if they are late on a regular basis over a school year.



EQUALS



#### LATENESS = LOST LEARNING

\*(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 mins late each day	3 days lost!
10 mins late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 mins late each day	10 days lost!
20 mins late each day	13 days lost!
30 mins late each day	19 days lost!

Thank you to everyone who came to school in a Christmas jumper yesterday. The school is already looking extremely festive but was full of colour with the addition of all the jumpers. There were Santas, Reindeer and Elves everywhere. We also served 191 Christmas lunches yesterday which is an amazing total, particularly when you consider the size of our kitchen. I joined the children in the Hall to have my lunch and it was lovely to sit and talk to them about their plans for the Christmas holidays. Santa is going to be extremely busy judging by the size of some of the Christmas Lists!! My thanks go to our staff team in the kitchen as well as all our Midday Supervisors for making sure that the lunch service went exceptionally smoothly.

Staff and children are currently practising for next week's Christmas Performances to be held at St. John's Church. However, we are still working very hard on all our core and academic subjects right up until the end of term and I can assure you that absolutely no time is wasted. We want to give all our children the chance to be the very best that they can be!

Thank you also to everyone who was able to attend our Christmas Fair held in school yesterday evening. It was a tremendous success and the total amount raised was a brilliant **£410.00**. Thank you so much for your donations that help to support school. This event could not have happened without the support and hard work of our wonderful PTA and the team here at Bedlington Station Primary School who gave up their time and energy to ensure that we are able to continue to run events such as these for the benefit of all our children. My heartfelt thanks go out to everyone involved.

### **Poppy Collection**

This year again we would like to say a huge thank you for all your contributions recently and we have just heard back from the organisers that we raised a staggering total of **£289.29**. We received a letter and a framed certificate from the Royal British Legion letting us know that we had raised the most money out of all the schools in the local area. We shared this news with the children at our assembly the other day and the certificate has been placed in our Foyer, with a copy of the letter on the school noticeboard. Bearing in mind, we have just collected for Children in Need also, which falls at the same time of year, we wanted to thank you all for your continued generosity. It really will help to make a difference.

### **Foundation Stage Garden 'Playpatch'**

Willow class will be selling raffle tickets from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December to raise funds towards the Foundation Stage Garden to be known as the 'Playpatch'. They will be 50p per strip and the prizes will be chocolates, wine, children's toys and much more. The tickets will be drawn on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December at our school party and the winning ticket numbers will be displayed on the Friday morning.

### **Information for Next Week etc**

**After School Clubs** - All after school clubs are now finished until after Christmas. They will begin again week commencing Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January.

### **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Remixed 2016**

At St John's Church 2.15pm until 3.00pm. (Please hand your slip in at the office so that you get your tickets. 2 per family). Your child will bring their tickets with their return slip (tomorrow) at 3pm. If there are any spares they will only be available on the morning of the performance.

### **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December Pantomime - Aladdin am**

**Christmas Party pm** – On Monday morning there will be a list outside each child's classroom of a selection of items for their party tea. Please just tick one item and your child can bring it into school on party day morning. Thank you.

**Please can we remind you that all children will still require their packed lunch or school meal on party day.**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December - School closes at 2.00pm.**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017 - Breakfast Club will begin at 8.00am and school doors will open at 8.45am.**

### **Milk for Spring Term**

Please don't forget to order your child's milk before Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December or they will not receive milk in the first week back. Milk is £12.50 for the Spring term.

### **Dinner Money**

Dinner money for the first week back will be £6.00. Thank you.