



Newsletter 8 December 2017 Autumn term 13 Value for this half term is Peace

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Next week

Fri 8 Dec 6pm Christmas Film Night 'Rise of the Guardians.' Admission £2.50! Pay on the door.

All after school clubs are now finished until February.

Mon 11 December 9.15 - 10.30am Stay and Play sessions for 3 and 4 year olds.

Mon 11 Dec last day for deposits for Edinburgh

Mon 11 Dec All Panto permission slips should be returned by today.

Mon 11 Dec 7pm Standards and Curriculum Governors meeting.

Wed 13 Dec lunchtime Children's university organisers in school to stamp and verify passbooks. See below.

Fri 15 Dec Last breakfast club

Fri 15 Dec All Junior homework folders should be returned to school with all work completed.

Fri 15 Dec 12 Noon deadline for nominations for Parent governor.

Welcome We would like to welcome Seth and Fern who have both joined us this week in the infant class.

Written by the children

Year 6 Stall at Towler's Alice said, 'it was really fun and I enjoyed serving people and selling things to them.' Elisabeth said, 'we went to the stall dressed as elves and Alice and I sang 'We wish you a Merry Christmas.'

Homework: All children should be learning their song words and words for the Christmas Musical.

Juniors - This is the last week of homework and only Christmas maths has been set. Pupils should use this opportunity to ensure all previous homework has been fully completed and any outstanding teacher comments have been addressed. **All folders for all subjects should be returned to school no later than Friday 15 December.** Pupils should still try to read at home as much as possible and practice timestables!

Infants - please practice your words and songs for the Christmas production. Spellings usually go out on Friday for a spelling test the following Friday. Homework is sent out each Thursday to be returned the following Wednesday.

Morning drop off In order to promote independence we request that junior parents, say goodbye to their children in the playground and not to come into the school building unless it is really essential. Thank you.

Gillamoor Christmas jumper day: We will be having our Christmas Jumper day on Friday 22 December. Pupils can wear Christmas jumpers and own clothes for the whole day and bring £1 for those less fortunate.

Children's University: Passbooks and scrap books (if started) should be in school on Wednesday 13 December when the organisers will be in to school to make the first verifications.

Pantomime Thursday 21 Dec Pupils permission slips should be returned by Mon 11 Dec. Please will parents who booked and paid for tickets earlier in the year please let Mrs Hugill know by Friday 15 Dec if you will be travelling on the coach. Any donations towards travel costs would be appreciated, there will be a donations box on the day.

Clubs: All after school clubs have now finished until February. Lunchtime clubs will restart after Christmas. We are sorry that Yoga club had to be cancelled for the past 2 weeks. This is due to circumstances beyond our control. We will see if this club can run again sometime after Christmas.

Friday Breakfast club 8.30am £1 a week.

Spring lunch menu: Attached is the lunch menu and order form. Please return your order form to school by WEDNESDAY 13 DECEMBER, at the latest to ensure your children receive the correct lunch. Children will only be given jacket potatoes if we have received a completed form, otherwise they will be given hot lunch. We have also included a menu for the last week of term as we have made some changes due to the pantomime. From January 2018 we will no longer be providing juice in school and school lunches will increase to £2.20 per day. Thank you to all those parents who have paid in advance for school lunches, swimming and after school clubs. Unfortunately, we are still chasing arrears for several families. As of today, the total arrears outstanding is **£186.64**. This amount does not include outstanding contributions towards Beamish and the pantomime. Whilst these debts remain outstanding the school has to subsidise them which directly impacts on the resources we can provide in the classroom. Thank you for your cooperation.

Weather: During the winter term, please can you ensure children have a change of footwear (wellington boots are ideal) in school.

Diarrhoea and Vomiting: If your child suffers from diarrhoea or vomiting, they must be absent from school for forty eight hours from the last time they are unwell, ie 2 full days.

Parent Governor Elections Please return your nomination by 12 Noon Friday 15 December.

Voting at Dalby Voting for Christmas trees will be taking place at Dalby until Saturday 16 December. If you are visiting Dalby please go and vote for our tree.

Do you have any of the following to use in our Christmas production: Blankets appropriate for a child refugee.

PTA updates

The stall on Kirkbymoorside market made a fantastic £533.80.

I was so sorry to miss the wreath making evening due to an unwell parent, which I gather was a huge success. Thank you all for such an amazing fundraising effort from everyone over the last few weeks. Here at Gillamoor we are so spoilt to have people who put so much effort into everything both in time, effort and financial contribution for our children. They are very lucky. But above all it is done with such good humour and generosity. THANK YOU. Jane, Chair of Governors.

Easy fundraising remember to using Easy fundraising when ordering online. Flye

Cooking: Ingredients for savoury pancakes: 100g grated mature cheddar cheese, 400ml milk, 100g lean minced pork, 2 tbs sage and onion stuffing mix, 1 small onion/4 spring onions and 4 soft pitted prunes. Flour, eggs and butter will be provided. A voluntary contribution of £2.50, payable through Parentpay would be appreciated if you are unable to send in ingredients. **All children will need a gratin dish or small ovenproof dish (8" diam) and a sturdy bag to take it home in.** Dec 12 Eve, Connor, Daithi

Future dates for your Dairy

Tues 19 Dec 2pm or 6pm Christmas Musical Gimme, Gimme, Gimmel in the Chapel.

Wed 20 Dec 2pm Christmas service at St. Aidan's church.

Thurs 21 Dec Whole school trip to York to Jorvik and Pantomime. Letter has gone out.

Fri 22 Dec Gillamoor Christmas Jumper day, bring £1 for Save the Children charity. Swimming, Christmas lunch and party.

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