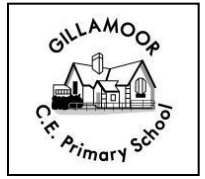


Y5/6 aerobics team winners at Ryedale last Friday.

Juniors 5<sup>th</sup> in the North Yorkshire Sumdog competition

Next Friday parent/governor breakfast club and Film night



November attendance was 93.56%. Let's see if we can do better in December.

Next week - All after school clubs have finished until February.

Sun 9 Dec 2.30pm Christingle service St. Mary's Farndale. All welcome

Tues 11 Dec 1.30 - 2.30pm Stay and Play. Christmas activities for pupils due to start school in September 2019.

Fri 14 Dec 8.30 is breakfast club for pupils, parents and governors.

Fri 14 Dec Christmas jumper day. Bring a donation for Save the Children, Christmas Jumper Day.

Fri 14 Dec Film night The children have voted for The Nightmare before Christmas. This is a PG film.

### Infant Class news

This week we visited Elim Church Centre in Malton to explore their interactive nativity. We loved travelling back in time to discover what happened at the first Christmas. We met a wise man, a shepherd, Mary and Joseph on our journey as well as a very cheeky camel named Humphrey! "Humphrey was the funniest. He was cheeky and he kept popping up and scaring me!" said Jack B. Iris said, "I really liked the bit with baby Jesus at the end," and Fern explained "The wise man followed the star and found baby Jesus!"



### Junior class news

The year 5 and 6 aerobics at Ryedale last Friday was a great success! Not only did they win but they won with 20 marks out of 20! Congratulations! Lewis said: "When we got there we had a few minutes to practise our routine and Tilly led. Then we went into the drama studio. We watched two teams and then we were up! We did the routine to the song, 'Rocking around the Christmas tree,' and we had a peek at the judges' scores (they kept showing us). The judges discussed the scores and when they announced us as the winner we were excited." We have also made art work for the Dalby Forest winter scene competition that will be up in Dalby Forest. People can vote for the school that they think have done the best pictures. See below.

The year 6 had a great time helping out on the market selling wreaths for the PTA.



All homework folders (spelling, maths and grammar) and red spelling books should be returned to school on Monday whether the work is completed or not.

### **Dalby forest and free entry tickets**

The juniors have been producing some art work for display at Dalby Forest. Like the decorated Christmas tree last year people can vote for their favourite. Each family in the juniors have been given a ticket for free entry to Dalby for use by 31 December. If you have time to visit and vote I'm sure you will enjoy it.

**Transport** Please return your completed forms as soon as possible. If these forms are not returned your child may not be able to attend sporting activities at Ryedale. Many thanks.

**Information about Musicals and tickets etc see attached letter.** We are intending going 'script free' on Monday, so please practice your lines!

### **Christmas dinner**

The PTA have again agreed to pay for the junior pupils to have Christmas lunch. We will all have Christmas lunch together on Friday 21 December.

**Emergency closures** If the school has to close due to bad weather or other emergency Mrs Tweddle will contact staff, taxi drivers, who will then inform those on their taxi, parents at the top of the closure tree who should then contact the next person on their list. Lists have been sent to those parents involved. York Minister Radio will be informed and we will try to get a notice on the school website.

### **PTA updates -**

**Stall raised** £698 well done to everyone who helped in any way. A fantastic effort.

**Easy fundraising** don't forget to register for easy funding raising and use when shopping on line this Christmas. Every little bit helps

### **Breakfast club for parents**

Fri 14 Dec 8.30 is breakfast club for pupils and parents. Bacon butties will be available for parents who wish to join us and Jane Harper, our chair of governors, will also be there.

**Uniform** Please can you ensure ALL uniform is clearly named.

### **Future dates for your diary**

**Last week of term** Our last week of term will be busier than usual.

Mon 17 Dec 6pm and Tues 18 Dec 1.30pm and 6pm will be performances of our Christmas Musical.

Wed 19 Dec pupils can arrive in school anytime up to 10am. Due to the previous 2 nights performances

Wed 19 Dec 2pm will be our Carol service

Thur 20 Dec whole school trip to York to pantomime and Chocolate Story.

Fri 21 Dec Christmas dinner and party. No swimming.

More details of all these activities will be in the newsletter over the next few weeks. **Please contact the school if your child will be unavailable for any of these activities the last week of term.**

**Cooking** The infants will be making Pasta bake with a pancetta crumb topping. They will need: 350g (12oz) macaroni, 100g (3.5oz) Red Leicester cheese, 2 tbs fresh breadcrumbs, 25g (1oz) butter, 25g (1oz) plain flour, 300ml (10 fl oz) double cream or milk and a little freshly grated nutmeg, 2 tsb sweetcorn, 2-3 broccoli florets, half a pepper, 2 rashers streaky bacon/pancetta or £2 paid through parent pay. All pupils will need a 1 litre (1.75 pint) ovenproof dish to put it in. Please can all borrowed containers etc be returned asap.

December 11 Leo, Mollie, Anna

**Snacks in school** If children need to bring a snack for morning break time this should be fruit or a cereal bar. Biscuits, crisps and sweets are not suitable for a break time snack.



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