



# **BYERS GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

## **MONDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2019**

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to a busy and exciting half term as we head towards Christmas. Please note the following:

### **ONLINE SAFETY**

Please see the reverse of this newsletter for a useful infographic about keeping your child happy and safe while using technology. This has been produced by Paul Hodgkinson (Education Development Adviser with responsibility for online safety for Durham County Council).

### **BOOK CLUB**

Book Club continues to take place for the children on a Friday at 1:00pm. We would like to encourage all the children to save up for a book they have chosen themselves. A suggested amount of 50p per week would allow them to purchase around one book per half term.

### **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK – 11-15 NOVEMBER**

This year the theme of Anti-Bullying Week is "Change Starts With Us". The children will be taking part in classroom activities that support this important message.

### **CHILDREN IN NEED – FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER**

We will be supporting this charity event by having a non-uniform day (please also encourage the children to wear odd socks!) and asking for a contribution of at least £1 per child to take part.

### **CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME - WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBER**

We have now paid for all the tickets so, if you have not yet paid, please ensure the money is sent in to school as soon as possible. The price per child is £15.00 - this includes the cost of the ticket, transport and a drink.

### **CHRISTMAS EVENTS**

These are listed below and more details will follow nearer the time.

<b><u>EVENT</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>
CHRISTMAS FAIR	FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER AT 1.15pm
INFANT NATIVITY	TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER AT 1.15pm
JUNIOR SHOW	TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER AT 2.00pm
INFANT NATIVITY	WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBER AT 9.15am
JUNIOR SHOW	WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBER AT 10.00am
PANTOMIME AT GALA THEATRE	WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBER AT 1.00pm
CHRISTMAS DINNER (CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY)	THURSDAY 19 DECEMBER AT 12.00noon

As in recent years, the Christmas performances will be split into two separate events (an infant nativity and a junior show) with two performances of each. The dates and times of these performances are listed above. Each event will be ticketed separately and two tickets will be allocated to the families of the children who will be performing. We will let you know by text message when tickets are available for collection. If you have any questions please contact Mrs Blenkiron.

### **STAFF UPDATE**

Miss Hardie is now on maternity leave. I am sure you will join with me in wishing her all the best for the remainder of her pregnancy and the safe delivery of her baby at some time in the near future.

### **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY**

School will close for the Christmas holiday on **Friday 20 December 2019 at 3.15pm**. We return on **Tuesday 7 January 2020**.

**Mr W. Kirtley (Headteacher)**