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**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

<u>Achievers</u>	<u>Good to be Green</u>
Class R - Mason	Isabelle
Class 1 - Georgie	Anthony
Class 2 - Archie	Bethany
Class 3 - Macey	Brad
Class 4 - Payten	Evie-Mai
Class 5 - Robbie	Adam
Class 6 - Harry	Renee

Best Class Attendance: Class 2 100% Whole School 97.3

Team of the week: BLUE

Well done everyone

**Writer of the Week  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Class R	Sienna
Class 1	Ronan
Class 2	Anthony
Class 3	Isabelle
Class 4	Kai
Class 5	Holly
Class 6	Ella



**RAFFLE PRIZES**

We still have a few unclaimed raffle prizes. Please check the list on the main door at the front of school. You might be a winner! Thank you.

**Christmas Performances**

Well done to all the children for their fantastic Christmas Performances this week. They sang, spoke and danced really well and they clearly enjoyed performing for their parents. Judging by the reaction of parents leaving after each performance they had been thoroughly entertained. Well done to all the children for their tremendous contributions and special thanks to parents and staff for the costumes and hard work to make the Christmas performances successful.

**The Big Purple Bus**

We had a fantastic day on Thursday when the Big Purple Bus came to visit our school. All the classes were allocated time on the bus and they had a fantastic time on the slides and in the ball pools. Thanks again to the Gaunless Gateway for the opportunity. The children have already asked for another visit in 2019.

**December dates  
for your Diary**

**PARTIES**

**Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Reception and Infants  
Christmas Party (pm)**

**Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Class 3 & 4  
Christmas Party (pm)**

**Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Class 5 & 6  
Christmas Party (pm)**

**Christmas Fun Day  
Christmas Jumper Day/ Christmas  
Dinner/Treat 20<sup>th</sup> Dec**

**School Carol Service at St Helen  
Auckland  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 1pm**

**Carol Service  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

The School Carol Service will be held in St Helen Church on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 1pm. The children will all walk down to the church together and can be collected from there, at approximately 1.45pm, at the end of the service. Children who are not collected will go back to school with staff and can be collected from school from 2.10pm onwards. Parents are welcome to attend the service.

### **Christmas Shows Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Today classes 5 and 6 went to King James 1 Academy to watch the annual BATH Christmas Show and the rest of the school went along to Bishop Auckland College to see Dick Whittington. Both groups enjoyed their afternoon. It was very quiet in school! Thanks to the Friends of School for funding the buses to the two venues.

### **Morning Arrival & Punctuality**

Next term we will be contacting the parents of children who arrive in school regularly after 9am. This will involve texts, letters and visits by the Attendance Officer.

**Please support your child to be on time for school. Thank you.**

If you have any problems getting to school on time contact the school office.

### **Christmas Post Box**

**The Christmas post box for children to post their Christmas cards in school is now open until 20<sup>th</sup> December. Please ensure you put the child's full name and class number on each card. We do have a number of children who have the same first name in the same class! Also remind your child to put their own name on the card as we often have cards without any names on.  
THANK YOU**

### **Christmas Performance Photographs**

Thank you parents for supporting the new procedures regarding photographing children at school. One of the main aims is to prevent children appearing on social media where parents have not given permission. We are still allowed to take photographs for the newspaper as these are hard copies and not for the internet. A group photograph of each performance will be appearing shortly in the Teesdale Mercury.



### **Treat, Non Uniform and Christmas Dinner Day Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December A Festive Fun Day!**



**On treat day this year, 20<sup>th</sup> December, we are going to make it a special Christmassy day by encouraging the children to dress in a festive way, they can wear Christmas colours, Christmas Jumpers, etc.**

**We are asking for £1 donation for this non-uniform day which will be donated to the national Save the Children Appeal.  
Thank you.**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December will also be the Christmas Lunch day in school.**

### **Holiday Dates**

**DEC 2018 TO JULY 19**

Last day of autumn term **Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Dec**

Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Dec to Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Jan - Christmas

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Jan - School Closed

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Feb to Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb - half term

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> April to Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> April - Easter

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> April - Bank Holiday

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday

Mon 27<sup>th</sup> May to Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May - half term

Mon June 3<sup>rd</sup> - school closed

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> July - last day of term **2019**

**FIRST DAY BACK NEXT TERM WILL BE TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> Jan**

Pictures of children at events in the newsletter can be found on the school website which is at [www.copelandroad.durham.sch.uk](http://www.copelandroad.durham.sch.uk)

Photographs and information are in Community - Gallery - Educational Events/Visits or alternatively search for Copeland Road Primary School to find the school website.

There are also class photographs and additional curriculum information in their own class area on the website.