

### Cawthorne's Endowed Primary School www.abbeysteadschool.co.uk Weekly Newsletter 11th December 2023

#### **Wednesday After School Club**

There will be no after school club on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December due to staff training. Children are welcome to attend on Monday on Tuesday instead if they wish to. This will be the last week for after school clubs until the new year.

#### Elf Run

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December children will be taking part in the Elf Run along Lee Drive. Children can be sponsored using the form sent out last week or a donation can be made. They will need to wear suitable clothing and a Christmas jumper (if they have one). School will provide the Elf Hats. The money raised will be donated to St John's Hospice.

#### **Christmas Fair**

The Christmas Fair takes place this week on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December after school. There will be plenty of stalls, crafts and games to take part in.

#### **Carol Service**

On Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December, Christ Church will be holding their Carol Service at 7.30pm. The children will be taking part by singing 2 songs from their Christmas play. It would great to see as many children as possible there.

#### **Christmas Activities**

The Christmas play is on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December, please can children arrive by 5.45pm in their costumes. We will be holding our Christmas party which includes a Christmas lunch on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December, awards assembly will be held afterwards at 2pm. There may even be an appearance from a special visitor to deliver a present! We would be very grateful of a contribution of £7 per pupil towards the cost of these activities. This can be paid by cash, cheque or BACS.

#### **Be Internet Awesome**

Google has launched a programme called 'Be Internet Awesome'. It has got lots of parent advice on a range of issues related to internet use such as keeping information safe, respecting others and smart sharing. There is also a children's section called Explore Interland where children can play games to become Internet Legends! Search: 'Be Internet Awesome', to find out more.

#### **School Applications**

If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery you can now apply for their primary school place at: <a href="www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools">www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools</a> It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application. You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. The closing date for primary applications for September 2024 is 15 January 2024.



# Forest Schools Nursery & Reception Each Wednesday

Each Wednesday

## **Swimming** Thursday 2pm

**Tennis Club**Lunchtime Friday

Elf Run for St John's Hospice & Christmas Jumpers Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec

*Christmas Fair* Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 3.30pm

Christmas Play Tue 19<sup>th</sup> Dec @ 6pm

Christmas Party/Lunch Awards Assembly Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Dec @ 2pm

Christmas Holiday
Inset Days
Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> & Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec
School Closed
Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Dec – Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Jan
(Inclusive)

#### **Weekly Theme**

Our theme this week is Christmas.

We will be thinking about Advent and what this means and looking at the Christmas Story.

#### Messages from the teachers

#### Mr Corbett, Mrs Hanigan and Mrs German



This week in English, we are editing and publishing the letters we have written as Father Topo, to Father Vodol from our class reader: A Boy Called Christmas. We are going to channel our 'inner elf' as we publish, by using old (tea stained) paper and writing with quills (feathers stuck to pencils) and wearing an elf hat...the results should be quite magical! In mathematics, Year 3s are working on multiplication and division; Year 4s, on rounding; Year 5s, on fractions and Year 6s, on ratio. We will be practicing our Christmas play and the children have been working on the code for their sensory toy in computing. We are all ready for a holiday!

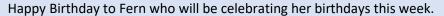
#### Mrs Unsworth, Mrs Oram and Mrs Harkin

This week the KS1 children are going to be looking at the John Lewis advert 'The man on the moon' and from this they will be writing letters to send out to any elderly people who may be feeling lonely this Christmas (if you know of anyone who would welcome such a letter please let us know)

The Early years are going to be busy in Santa's workshop this week and they too have lots of letters to write.

#### Celebration Corner:

#### **Birthdays**



#### **Family Assembly**

Year 2s will be showing their work in assembly this week.

#### Stars of the Week

Well done to Jack and Pearl who were our stars last week.

#### **PUPIL VOICE**

The Pupil Voice made £26.25 from the sale of toast and biscuits during this half-term. The money will be put towards buying food for our local foodbank. Thank you!

Christmas Fair Fri 15th Dec from 3.30pm