



Arnside National Primary School

'Aspire – Believe – Achieve'

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Dear Parent / Carer,

The festive season is nearly upon us and we're looking forward to a range of events and activities to build up the excitement of Christmas. Next week, we have planned a craft week in which the pupils will be creating a range of decorations in classrooms and a collaborative hall display, "It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas...".

Charity fundraising – Baubles

On Tuesday 1st December, all the pupils will be given a small empty bauble to take home. Over the following week, we are challenging the pupils to fill the bauble with coin donations. The pupils can bring their baubles back on Friday 11th December, Christmas Jumper Day, and we will collect all the donations together. The money will be split between two charities: Save the Children (Christmas Jumper Day) and the Kings Food Bank in Kendal. As a thank you, the pupils will have the opportunity to fill their now empty baubles with a few sweetie treats. They will also have the opportunity to decorate their bauble, take it home and hang it on their tree – a lovely reminder of their charitable work.

PTA support

The PTA have kindly organised online tickets to a live Panto on Thursday 17th December. It will be a wonderful way to end the term and give the pupils an opportunity to experience a 'live' Panto – boos, hisses, and plenty of fun and laughter. In addition to this, the PTA are busy organising a small gift for each pupil to take home. Thank you to all involved – it's extremely kind and generous.

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 11th December is Christmas Jumper Day! It's a lovely opportunity to dig out those festive woollies and enjoy a festive, fun day.

Christmas Tree

I would like to extend a huge thank you to Houghton's Home Improvement Centre for their kind donation of a Christmas Tree.

Arnside Volunteer Group support

The amazing AVG machine is back in action and the pupils have been given the opportunity to help support the local community by creating Christmas Cards for residents. The AVG will be distributing the cards along with other donations. A wonderfully kind and generous scheme and a fantastic opportunity for the pupils to spread a little Christmas sparkle.

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Our student teachers, Robin Jameson and Kiernan Pedder will soon be finishing and I would like thank them for all their hard work over the term. They have been a pleasure to have in school and we wish them well with their future placements / jobs.

Meanwhile, let the Christmas build-up begin! It looks set to be an unusual one but I have no doubt that the children will bring a little magic to the next month and brighten up the festive, winter days with smiles, laughter and love.

Keep safe and take care of yourselves,

Mr Sharp.



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