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## News Update 15th November 2024

Dear parents and carers,

As another week draws to a close, we finish the week dressed to impress raising money for Children in Need to support the Making Life Lighter campaign. Thank you to everyone for supporting such a great charity. The children have really enjoyed the day. We have some busy weeks coming up, here are a few reminders, some new information and some celebrations.

### Coming up:

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November:** On Monday 18th we will be starting our anti bullying week in school. We will celebrate by making a noise about Bullying. We will be reinforcing our defender work all week and we will also be celebrating how we respect that we are all different. With this in mind, please could we encourage children to wear "ODD SOCKS" on Monday 18th.

**Christmas Decoration Day: Christmas starts at Jericho on Friday 29th November.** We will be putting up our decorations and each class will be busy making gifts, cards and decorations. We would love as many of you to attend and we will be opening our doors to parents and carers from 9:15 until 11:15 a.m. During the morning, we will be serving tea and coffee and cake in the hall. We will also have a small number of stalls with some Christmas goodies on say. If you would like to rent a table for £15, at our Christmas Fair, then please book via the school office.

### Christmas Dinner Day and Jumper Day - Friday 13 December 2024

We will again be supporting Hospice at Home on Friday 13th December 2024 by asking children to wear their Christmas Jumpers to school. **If you would like to** make a donation for this great cause, please send your donation into school with your child. Don't forget that on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec we will also be having our Christmas Dinner! Pupils who usually bring a packed lunch are welcome to join us for this special meal. A Parent Mail payment item will be available from Monday 18 November 2024 from 5pm. The payment item will close at 9am on Friday 29 November 2024.

### Christmas Hampers

Each class has a special theme or colour for their Christmas Hamper this year! We invite everyone to join in by donating items that match your class colour. Every contribution, big or small, will help make these hampers extra special. Tickets are available via Parent Mail, as well as in-person from the school office, on Christmas Decoration Day and at the Christmas Plays. Please see the letter attached.

### Christmas Play Tickets

Christmas Play tickets (£2.50 per ticket) will be available on Parent Mail from 5pm on Friday 15 November 2024. To ensure fairness, we initially limit purchases to 2 tickets per child. Then any

remaining tickets are made available on a first-come, first-served basis from week commencing Monday 2 December 2024. Please note that physical tickets will not be issued. Staff will have a list of purchased tickets to check off as parents and family members arrive for each performance.

### **Christmas Family Action**

As we approach the festive season, Family Action are raising funds to support local families who struggle to buy toys and food at Christmas. All funds raised will go directly to local families to help them provide for their families and give their children gifts this Christmas. Donations can be made using the QR code – as little as £5 can give a child their own gift.

**Kells Rugby League** - Youth u8s (school year 3) are looking for players.

Preseason training is on Tuesdays 5-6pm at Whitehaven School. Contact Craig Kirkbride on 07841 354967

Also Kells Youth u9s (school year 4) are looking for players. Preseason starts on the 19th November. Contact Paul Seager 07885 915884

### **Celebrations:**

Cooper from Year 4 achieved his bronze Chief Scouts award this week. He worked very hard to earn his badges. Well done, Cooper. We are all very proud of you

### **Golden Work: Our Golden Work superstars of the week:**

Mia and Joshua in nursery for her wonderful knowledge of initial sounds

Charlie, Mollie, Rosie, Mila and Isabelle - Year 4 - For great column addition and subtraction work.

Logan - Year 4 - For superb dialogue writing.

Skyla - Year 6 - superb descriptive writing.

Eve, Enzo, Mila and Bea- Year 1- Wonderful Mondrian artwork in Computing.

Penelope and Bobby from year 3 for using exchange in maths

Katie and James for super autobiography writing

### **Looking ahead: Autumn 2 dates**

WC 18th Nov - Antbullying Week in School. ODD SOCKS DAY.

29<sup>th</sup> Nov - Christmas Dec Day and Christmas Fair

6th Dec - Christmas Panto Day in school

13th Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

School closes for Christmas 20<sup>th</sup> Dec at 1:30 p.m.

### **Christmas Performances Key Stage 1 and Early Years:**

**Wednesday 11th December: Year 1** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 2:30 p.m.**

**Thursday 12th December: Year 2** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 2:30 p.m.**

**Friday 13th December: *Reception*** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 2:30 p.m.**

**Christmas Performances Key Stage 2 for Christmas**

Monday 9th December: ***Year 3*** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 4:00 p.m.**

Tuesday 10th December: ***Year 4*** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 4:00 p.m.**

Wednesday 11th December: ***Year 5*** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 4:00 p.m.**

Thursday 12th December: ***Year 6*** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 4:00 p.m.**

**Nursery - information to follow.**

Dear Parents,

We will once again be holding our very popular class hamper raffle, to raise money for school funds. Tickets for hampers will cost £1 each and will be available from the office, via our parentmail app, Christmas Decoration Day and at our Carol Services/Christmas performances. The actual raffle will take place in an assembly during the last week of the Christmas term.

The hampers will be on show in the school hall on Friday 29 November 2024 during the Christmas Decoration Day.

We would be very grateful for donations of items to fill your child's class hamper. Each teacher has been given a theme or colour. Items for the hampers could include sweets, candles, toiletries, bottles of wine, non-perishable food eg. Jams and chutneys. It really is up to you. Try to be as creative as you can and try to stick to the theme.

Please could items be sent into school by Friday 22 November 2024

This year's themes are as follows:

Mrs Hayes/Mrs Borrowdale	Green
Mrs Quayle	White
Mrs McAlpine	Yellow
Mrs Smith	Orange
Miss Palmer	Winter Wonderland
Miss McDonald	Christmas
Mrs Leck	Purple
Miss Hope	Silver
Mr Rooney	Black
Mrs Milligan	Pink
Miss Hawksworth	Gold
Miss Halsall	Red
Mr Hutchinson	Sparkly
Mrs Parkinson/ Mrs Fawcett	Blue
Mrs Coulson	Christmas Pamper/Indulgence

Thank you for your support in this fundraising event and good luck!

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Toy Appeal



# Help keep the magic of Christmas alive in Copeland this year

Many UK families struggle to keep the magic of Christmas alive – having to make impossible decisions like whether to heat their home, buy food and essentials or to get a present for their children.

...I was deciding on whether to buy presents or food. I hope the people donating know that the presents mean a lot and have made us smile.

Toy Appeal Mum

[family-action.org.uk](http://family-action.org.uk)

Last year, with the help of people like you, we managed to give over 15,000 gifts to children who otherwise would have had very little.

Donating as little as £5 could give a child in Copeland their own gift under the tree, keeping the magic alive this Christmas!



Scan the code to donate to children and families in Copeland.



## 0 – 19 Child and Family Support Services - Copeland



# Family Action's Christmas Support in Copeland 2024

Every year Families in Copeland tell us about how they struggle to buy food and toys over Christmas.

In 2023 we provided families with support to help ease the pressures at Christmas.

- **189** children in Whitehaven and Millom received Christmas presents.
- **100** Families were provided with food hampers with fresh fruit and vegetables.
- **100** Families received a £30 meat voucher.

The support that was provided for the families in Copeland was made possible with the support of Family Action Toy Appeal, Sellafield LTD, Sellafield Partner agencies, Xtreme Fitness Gym, L&K Curwen, Bethshan Care Home, The Devon Pub Millom and a local lady who lives in Copeland.

### Feedback from Families:

*"I want to personally thank you for the help given in regard to Christmas this year to my family, Family Action needs credited more then it gets because no judgement is held, help is given and understanding, I'd walk over hot coals for my children and thanks to yourself my children are gonna have presents".*

*"Thank you for the food hamper and voucher for mine and my children's Christmas meal 🍷 I'm absolutely taken back by family action, maybe more services need to be like yourselves, I'm unsure if Kerry still the manager there but I absolutely adore Kerry she's been there for me in the past"*

Please help us make Christmas 2024 extra special for by donating via our QR code. Just £5 could give a child a gift.



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