As the festive season begins, we are filled with excitement and joy, ready to embrace a time of celebration and community spirit here at Jericho Primary School. We have a wonderful lineup of festive events planned to bring everyone together and create lasting memories. Recently, our Year 6 children enjoyed an enriching trip to the Rum Story and Whitehaven, which was both educational and inspiring. Meanwhile, Year 4 demonstrated great creativity and teamwork by building dens to share with the whole school community.
I suspect the weekend may involve the last-minute dusting down of the Elves who are not only coming to sit on your shelves but who are coming to plague your households with mischief for the next 25 days. We heard rumours that our own elves may be returning this year! Apparently, they have lots of kindness in store for us this year! Watch this space!

We look forward to sharing more festive cheer and special moments with you all in the coming weeks!

Some reminders:

Attendance- We are committed to ensuring every child benefits fully from their education, and regular attendance plays a vital role in this. To support this, your child's attendance figures are available to view on their profile on Arbor.

Letters will be sent to some families this week as part of our routine process to track lateness and persistent absence, in line with statutory guidelines. They help us work together to address any challenges early and provide the right support for you and your child's learning and wellbeing.

Thank you for your continued partnership in promoting excellent attendance. If you have any questions or need support, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Leave of Absence Requests: Reception - Y6
Please be aware that you must submit a 'Leave of Absence Request' for all planned absences in advance of the date of absence. We have had a number of children recently absent for holidays, where it is only reported to us on the day. This is a requirement for all school-aged children, including our Reception children.
For Nursery children, we would also ask that you report planned absences in advance by contacting the school office.

Make-up and nails: A quick reminder that we are a make-up-free school. This means no lip gloss or tinted balms, false eyelashes, or false nails, please. We know it's tempting for children to want to express themselves with fun nails, but false nails can cause some serious health and safety problems. For example, acrylic nails can get caught while playing or even trap fingers in doors. Sadly, a child in another local school snapped their acrylic nails, which led to a painful injury that required surgery to fix the nail bed underneath.

Community news:
Hensingham ARLFC are recruiting. See attached flyers for more details.

Christmas is coming:
Save the date: 5th December - Christmas Decoration Day. A reminder that on Friday, 5th December in the afternoon, we will start our formal Christmas countdown in at school. 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 1:45 until 3:15 p.m.

Friends of Jericho Christmas Fayre – You're Invited!
Join us on Friday 5th December from 3:30 to 5:00pm at Jericho School for a festive afternoon of fun!
Enjoy delicious seasonal treats and browse a variety of stalls offering handmade crafts, gifts, and sweet treats – perfect for your Christmas shopping. Bring the whole family and get into the festive spirit!
Interested in running a stall?
We'd love to have you!
· Cost: £10 per table (cash on the day)
· You keep all your profits
· Ideal for sellers of festive gifts, crafts, and goodies
Spaces are limited so book early! To secure your table please email:admin@jericho.cumbria.sch.uk
We can't wait to see you there!

Christmas Hampers: Thank you so much to all those who have kindly donated to our hampers so far. The school is awash with assorted coloured goodies. Please keep donations coming. Last day for donations will be Friday 5th December. We will then showcase some of the hampers at our Christmas events! Tickets are available on Arbour, at the school office, Christmas Decoration Day, and Christmas Plays.

Celebrations:
Carrie (Year 5) was chosen to perform a solo finale at last weekend's church carol service raising money for the restoration of the church organ at Our Lady & St Michael's Church Workington.
Edi (Year 3) has completed her 50M swimming medal just a few weeks after being in the deep end of the pool. She surprised herself as she hadn't expected to swim so far so soon!
Eli (Year 5) passed his Level 1 Flyer for indoor skydiving last weekend and done a solo high fly all by himself

Golden Work:
Ethan (Year 4) for smashing his maths work! Superstar.
Ivy (RW) for superb independent writing.
Katie in year 6 for scientific understanding of light and reflection
Emma (year 5) for outstanding writing!
Carrie (Year 5) for a hilarious scientific comic strip.
Roshaneh (year 1) for superb retelling of the story of red riding hood
Eve (Year 6) for fabulous progress in her math assessments
Zara (year 1) A super mature attitude

Looking ahead:
26th Nov - 6W Rum Story Visit
28th Nov - 6H Rum Story Visit
3rd Dec- Years 3,4,5,6 to see Wizard of Oz
Thursday 4th Dec- Nursery decoration day-more details to follow

Friday 5th Dec- Christmas decoration afternoon and fayre- Reception to year 6

WC 8th Dec- Christmas performances
Monday- Y3, Tuesday- Y4, Wednesday- Y5, Thursday- Y6 at St Johns Church @ 4.00pm

11th Dec- Reception/Year 1/Year 2- Rosehill visit
12th Dec- Christmas dinner and jumper day

19th December- School closes for Christmas at 1.30pm
7th Jan - School reopens after the Christmas Break.

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Christmas Performances at School in the Hall:
Monday 8th December : ***Year 2*** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 2:30 p.m**.
Tuesday 9th December: ***Year 1*** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 2:30 p.m**.
Monday 15th December: ***Reception*** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 2:30 p.m**.

Christmas Performances at St John's Church:
Monday 8th December: ***Year 3*** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 4:00 p.m**.
Tuesday 9th December: ***Year 4*** **C**hristmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 4:00 p.m**.
Wednesday 10th December: ***Year 5*** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 4:00 p.m**.
Thursday 11th December: ***Year 6*** Christmas Performance - **parents are to attend at 4:00 p.m**

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FRIENDS OF JERICHO INVITE
YOU TO OUR

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER
3.30 - 5PM

COME ALONG AND JOIN US FOR SOME FESTIVE FOOD, CRAFTS AND GIFTS.

STALLHOLDERS: Tables are £10 each - cash paid on the day.
Please email admin@jericho.cumbria.sch.uk to secure your table.

Hensingham ARLFC Recruitment!



Under 12's, years 6 & 7.
Training Tuesdays 7.15pm - 8.15pm @
Whitehaven School Astro.





Girls, years 6 – 9
Training Wednesdays 7pm – 8pm @
St Benedicts School Astro.

Under 15's, Years 9 & 10.
Training Mondays 6pm – 7pm & Thursdays 7pm – 8pm @
St Benedicts School Astro.

This team are in NWC's league, commitment to travelling is a must (transport provided).

Hensingham ARLFC Youth Christmas Party

Special Guests

21st December

2pm-4pm



Tickets £5

For tickets Contact: Nicola 07745556220

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