

# Whytrig Newsletter

#### Autumn Term 2019

Wednesday 4 December Christmas Lunch

Monday 9 December Y5/6 Nasal Flu Vaccines

Tuesday 10 December NUFC Foundation Y5

Tuesday 10 December LEGO LEAGUE Tournament

Wednesday 11 December Y8 Boys Rugby

Thursday 12 December Y7 Boys Rugby

Thursday 12 December PAF Film Night

Friday 13 December Y7 Boys Rugby

Friday 13 December Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 17 December Cinema Visit

Wednesday 18 December Christmas Variety Show

Friday 20 December End of Autumn Term

#### Spring Term 2020 7 January to 2 April

Monday 6 January Teacher Day

Tuesday 7 January 2020 Start of Spring Term

> Friday 3 April Teacher Day

Summer Term 2020 20 April to 17 July

KS2 SATs Week 2020 11 to 14 May

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# Thunder In The Valley Success - Again!

We saw an absolutely amazing effort by our Key Stage 2 pupils on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November at The Eagles Community Arena, Newcastle, as they competed in the Thunder In The Valley basketball competition again this year. Teams competed in two mini leagues, with the winners of each league going through to the final. This all took place before the Newcastle Eagle game, with the Thunder In The Valley final taking



place at half time. As the defending champions, from the last three years, the pressure was on, however our children did not disappoint. Unbelievably, both Whytrig teams got through to the final, so it was guaranteed that the trophy would be coming home with us again! In a hard fought, tight game, it was a single basket that was the difference on the night. It was another superb evening of basketball, and once again our children showed why they are the best, both in competition and as great ambassadors for our school. Well done everyone!

#### Congratulations!

We would like to send our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs Chadwick and her family on the birth of the latest addition to her family today. Baby Chadwick weighed in at 6lb 9oz and we are pleased to say mother and child are doing really well!

#### Welcome!

Welcome to Mrs Forrest who will be taking over part of Mrs Chadwick's timetable as she starts her maternity leave, a little sooner than expected! She will share form class responsibility with Miss Baker, who is already established within the year group. We look forward to working with her over the rest of the academic year.

#### **Christmas Countdown**



A huge thank you to some of our Year 5 pupils and Year 8 prefects who have decorated our Christmas Tree this year. We think they have done a fantastic job and with all the carol singing coming from our classrooms this afternoon, the school is feeling very festive indeed!

## **Charity Fundraising**

We raised an amazing £646.96 from our Children In Need afternoon last month. Thank you for everyone who supported such a good cause and a huge well done to our House Captains for organising such a successful event.

#### **Tuesday 17 December**

We would like to remind parents that our end of term visit to the cinema is on the final Tuesday this year. Please ensure you have responded as per the instructions sent out for this visit.

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#### Stars Of The Week

Each week Stars of The Week are nominated to have hot chocolate and a biscuit with the Head. They have been:

Week ending 8/11/19

5C: Ethan Shipley; 5M: Layla Rutherford;

6E: Annalise Watson; 6L: Keira Pentolfe; 6T: Caroline Peddie;

7C: Joseph Smith; 7L: Isabelle Buchanan;

8Ro: Olivia Graham/Katie-Sue Mahoney; 8Ru: Charlotte Scott

Week ending 15/11/19

5C: Rosie Mahoney; 5M: Holly Gordon;

6E: Megan Keir; 6L: Lyla Burr; 6T: Louis Foster;

7C: Amelia Cottiss; 7L: Ryan Read;

8Ro: Thomas Kelly;

Week ending 22/11/19

5C: Lenox French 5M: Ewan Beadle;

6E: Charlie Kidd; 6L: Andrew Laird; 6T: Ellie Byford;

7C: Michael Leighton; 7L: Derren Farrell;

8Ro: Aimee Coatsworth; 8Ru: Madeline Robinson;

#### **Christmas Jumper Day**

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December we will be supporting Save The Children Christmas Jumper Day. It is a **normal uniform day**, however children can wear a Christmas Jumper **instead** of their school sweatshirt if they wish. The day is to support the superb work of Save The Children and the suggested donation is £1, however all donations will be gladly received.

## **Final Day Of Term**

As is tradition at the end of the Autumn Term, we will hold our end of term assembly in the morning and celebrate the events and achievements over the term.

Reminder: School closes at 1:00pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December for the end of term. Due to the early finish time of both schools on site there will be no lunchtime catering facilities operating at Elsdon Avenue on the day. Children will therefore need to bring a packed lunch into school. If your child is entitled to a free school meal, food will be provided for your child sensitively. We will also operate a smaller than usual food trolley at morning break, where snacks can be purchased as normal.

# Looking forward to next year....

Please note that we have a training day on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020. The children return to school at the normal time on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020**.

# **Twitter Feed**

Don't forget, we also have a Twitter feed which gets updated regularly, mainly to keep you informed about special events or visits we have been taking part in. We have been tweeting this week about some of the sport that has taken place so far and clubs that start this week. You can follow us at: @whytrigms

# **Dates For Your Diary**

Please visit our school website at <a href="https://www.svf.org.uk/calendar">https://www.svf.org.uk/calendar</a> where you can see dates of upcoming school and Federation events. You can subscribe to our school calendar by selecting the WMS option on the drop down menu in the bottom left hand corner. We will also highlight key events in our newsletters as well as listing upcoming dates, as you can see, on the left hand side.