



## AIKWE LEEMING BAR CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

### NEWSLETTER

November 25<sup>th</sup> 2016

#### Welcome

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our school to three new teaching assistants. Mrs Helen Perkins has joined as Dragons' new full-time teaching assistant. Mrs Amber Wolstenholme has also joined us to provide temporary additional support to pupils in Dragons. Mrs Jo Morrell has joined us to provide support to pupils in Bears during their English and maths sessions on Monday and Tuesday mornings as well as Tuesday afternoons. All new teaching assistants have a wealth of experience and we are delighted they have chosen our school to pursue their careers.



#### RSPCA talk

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> November Mr Lawson came into school to tell us about the RSPCA, it stands for the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. He told us that they rescue and look after animals, they catch wild dogs, snakes and cats and they have lots of different equipment to catch them with. He told us how to look after our pets and said we mustn't leave them on their own when we go on holiday. It was a very interesting listening to him.

By Annabel and Luke

#### Swimming Gala

On 16<sup>th</sup> November we went to a Swimming Gala at Bedale Leisure Centre. There were races for breast stroke, front crawl, butterfly, freestyle and backstroke. Everybody took part, everybody swam well and showed friendship to the other competitors.

By Nathan and Tom

#### Christingle Service

On Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December St John's, Leeming will be holding their annual Christingle service at 7pm. All children, parents and family members are invited.

#### School Closure

As winter approaches we would like to remind you of how to find out about the closure of school. Please tune into either; Radio York - 95.5 FM, 103.9 FM and 104.5 FM or Radio Tees - 95.0 FM who will announce our closure.

Alternatively this information will also be available on their websites which are regularly updated. Our own website will also have this information from 7.30am. The North Yorkshire County Council website also lists North Yorkshire school closures.



#### Waxworks

Eagles treated their parents and family members to a quite unique experience on November 10<sup>th</sup>. Linked to their biographical work in English and their evolution work in science the children researched famous people who had died and presented biographical information about them in role. We had Charlie Chaplin, Neil Armstrong and Elvis Presley. All pupils spoke with confidence and clarity and raised £30 for Children in Need. Thank you to Mrs Monaghan for organising a special and memorable event.



#### Halloween Disco

Our Halloween disco was a spine-tingling success. The children dressed up in a range of spooky and scary costumes and danced the evening away to the likes of Ghostbusters and Thriller. Thank you to FOALS for organising the event.

#### Service Pupils' Service

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November we went to Ripon Cathedral for a service of remembrance. We saw children from Tonga dancing with flowers in their hair and there was a steel band. We sang some songs including one called Community which we'd learned in school. Two children did a talk about what it's like to have a parent in the services and we stood up to sing the National Anthem.

By Heidi and Emily-Faye



On the 18<sup>th</sup> November we had a Children in Need day, the theme was spots and stripes. We had competitions such as Find Pudsey Around the School, Draw Pudsey Around the World and a Colouring Competition. We enjoyed eating spots and stripes cakes too. We all had a great day and we raised around £65 for Children in Need.

By Mackenzie

#### Dates for your Diary

25 Nov FOALS Christmas Fair 6-7.30pm

28<sup>th</sup> Nov - Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> Book Fair week

6<sup>th</sup> Dec Christmas Card Craft Night 3.30 - 4.30

7<sup>th</sup> Dec Bears' class assembly

7<sup>th</sup> Dec Christmas Lunch

7<sup>th</sup> Dec Cool Christmas Chemistry workshop 3.30 - 4.30

8<sup>th</sup> Dec Eagles' class assembly

13<sup>th</sup> Dec School Christmas Performance 6pm

15<sup>th</sup> Dec Christingle Service at St John's Leeming 7pm

16<sup>th</sup> Dec Achievement Assembly for parents

16<sup>th</sup> Dec Finish for Christmas - Children return on Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Jan