



AISKEW, LEEMING BAR CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

December 7th 2018

This week's
Learning Heroes
are Sara and Ralfs

Handwriters of the week
Congratulations
Max and Veronica
for your beautiful handwriting!

**92.34% attendance
this week**



Every child that had 100% attendance this week has been entered into the Christmas prize raffle

Please ensure your child attends school as much as possible.

School Council

The School Council have been busy as they have been tasked with organising the Christmas party for school.

You will be receiving a letter shortly about what your child needs for it.

The children have written it themselves. It's a great opportunity for the children to try writing for real purposes and ensuring they can write in a formal voice!

The School Council have also decided to set up a newsletter themselves which they have distributed. You should have received it today.

They are also selling bags of six beautiful pine cones which have a Christmas scent for 50p. All the money raised will go to Fayef International School in Ghana.

They will be on sale before school each morning on the playground. If it is raining, they will sell them under the shelter by the double doors.

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone for their support with the Book Fair.

Unfortunately, we didn't get to £300 so didn't receive £300 worth of books however we did get £25 to spend. Every little helps!

Pupil of the Week Certificates

Our Pupils of the Week are:

Lola-Rose and L-Jay

Mathlete of the Week

Althea

Well done for reaching 6269 points

Silver Maths Certificates

Congratulations to Althea and Isobel

Bronze Maths Certificates

Congratulations to Joe, Raf, Eevy-Mai, Georgina, Kaci, Charlie, Savannah, Kieron and Karolina



School Winter Closures

Should we need to close school at short notice due to heavy snow, we will send a text message to all parents to advise them that school will be closed for that day. It is therefore most important that we have an up to date mobile telephone number for you. We will aim to do this by 7.30am and will also put it on Twitter which will then appear on the Twitter feed running on the front page of our website. We will also contact BBC Radio York and BBC Tees our local radio stations so please check these if in doubt. The situation will be monitored daily and the process repeated each morning, if necessary, if the school remains closed. Following a closure, we will text and tweet to say school is open.

Writers of the week

Congratulations Sophie and Charlie for your writing this week

Reading Eggs Certificate

This week's certificate goes to **Karolina**

PE Player of the Week is... **Kaci**



Poetry Competition

For National Poetry Day, back in October, Mr Hodgson worked with Eagles to write a collaborative poem all about bikes. He then submitted it to Evans Bikes who were running the competition. Sir Chris Hoy was the judge and we have just found out that we were one of the runners up! How fabulous is this?

SUMDOG

This week we have been doing a maths competition using Sumdog. This is a free online maths resource which promotes children's mental maths. Sumdog often runs competitions for school in North Yorkshire like the one we've taken part in this week. At various points throughout the week, we have been well up the leader board. Some of our pupils have been in the top 100 pupils across the county! We are awaiting the results so will update you in the next newsletter.

Elf on the Shelf

The Christmas elf in Dragons has been up to mischief all week. Please ask your child to tell you about some of its antics! You can also find out about it on the blog!



Carol Singing

On Friday 14th December, we have been invited to sing at both Leeming Bar Grange and Leeming Garth care homes. We will leave school at 10:30 for one and 1:15 for the other. If anyone can help walk with the children, please see Mrs Bentley. It is fine to just volunteer for one of the slots! If anyone wants to help with both, you would be welcome to join us, at school, for a school lunch to save going back home!

Family Lunch

Thank you to all the family members who turned up on a cold, wet lunchtime to have family lunch with us. The children and the staff really appreciate you taking time out of your busy day to share a meal with us. As always, our fabulous cooks made a wonderful meal and we really appreciate the extra work that goes into these events. We are also looking forward to Christmas lunch next Wednesday. **If children want to wear a Christmas jumper/head band/party hat etc then they may get changed into it just before lunch.**

Christmas Play

On Wednesday 12th December we have our Christmas performances at 1:30pm and 6:00pm. For the evening performance, please can children be at school for 5:40pm so that we can get them changed? Please use the front door and come into the hall. A staff member will take your child into Dragons to get changed. As you drop your child off, we politely ask you to take your seat in the hall and wait for the production to start! *To help raise money for school FOALS will be serving hot chocolate for £1, along with mince pies and chocolate 'yule logs' for 50p each whilst you wait for the production to begin.*

Reading

Children in Y1-Y6 have a focussed reading session four times a week where a reading skill is taught. A specific skill is taught for a two week block in order to enable children to have a really good grasp of the skill. They meet the same skills in each year however the demands of the skills get increasingly difficult! Children have really embraced this approach to reading and now really engage with the text. I was so proud of Eagles this week watching them work. They had fantastic, spontaneous conversations with their learning partners as to which pieces of evidence they could use to support their answers and challenged one another's thinking. Conversations like this enable great learning to take place!

PE Blog - Indoor Athletics

In PE this week the Eagles took part in the Sportshall athletics event at Richmond School. They competed against five other local schools in various track and field events which included the obstacle relay, lots of running events and jumping and throwing activities. The children had a few pre-event nerves but once the games began they settled into it and enjoyed themselves. They all tried really hard and did their very best. **Well done!**

Movie Night

Thank you to FOALS for organising the food for the Movie Night and thank you to staff for giving up their evening to supervise the children. It was a great success and we look forward to doing it again in the near future.

Dates for your Diary - Autumn Term 2018

December		
Monday 10th	PM	Christmas production dress rehearsal
Tuesday 11 th	PM	Christmas production dress rehearsal
Wednesday 12 th	12 noon	Christmas lunch for children, staff, governors and volunteers (children can wear a Christmas jumper on this day if they wish)
	1.30 & 6pm	Christmas production
Friday 14 th	11.00am	Children carol singing at Leeming Garth
Thursday 20th	PM	Children's Christmas party
Friday 21st	9.30am	Carol Service at St. John's Church, Leeming Village for parents and the community
	3.30pm	Close for Christmas holiday

Dates for your Diary - Spring Term 2019

January		
Monday 7th	All day	Training day
Tuesday 8th	8.55am	Children return back to school
Friday 25th	9.00am	Eagles swimming lessons starting – NB starting date changed

If you would like a hard copy of this newsletter sent home please contact Mrs Bentley in the school office.