

# Wolsingham Primary Newsletter

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#### **EYFS** Theatre Visit

Our Nursery and Reception children, staff and parents thoroughly enjoyed their visit to the pantomime at the Empire Theatre in Consett this week. The children were extremely well behaved and some were seen to have a really magical time being in awe of the flying carpet and the snow that came down in the theatre.

# **Christmas Toy Appeal**

A huge thank you to everyone who sent in gifts to help our Helping Hands, Caring Hearts Action Group with their support of the Angel Trust's toy appeal this Christmas. It was lovely to welcome Julie to our school earlier this week to tell us

all about the work that the Angel Trust supports.



#### Pride not Prejudice Logo

Our newest Pupil Voice group is linked to promoting equality and diversity as we aim to achieve the silver award in the Educate and Celebrate program. This week, children in Class 5 and 6 were tasked with coming up with a logo for our newly formed group named 'Pride Not Prejudice'. We had some fantastic logo ideas and have shared some of them on the school website. Our overall winner was Jaina who came up with the fabulous logo design to the left! The children have also been working hard at finding ways to make our school even

more welcoming to all people and even looking at some of our policies to see whether they are inclusive. All of our children from Year 1 to Year 6 are encouraged to sign up to one of our action groups: Helping Hands, Caring Hearts; Eco Warriors; Garden Gang; Safety Squad; Sports Crew and now Pride not Prejudice. Being part of one of these groups help towards our children's wider personal development.

# **Christmas Jumper Day**

Friends of the School would like to thank everyone for their kind donations towards the Christmas Fair. We hope to see you all on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 3.30pm – 5pm! They would also like to take this opportunity to thank Rory Wilson for giving up his Saturday to help at Wolsingham Christmas Fair where Friends of the School ran a bottle tombola.

# Wolsingham Churches Together – Christmas Trail

Today children should have brought home their Christmas Trail leaflet. As last year, the Christmas Trail will be a team event. Every child who completes the trail and returns the outer sheet of the leaflet to school by the morning of Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December will earn 10 points for their team and every child who gets all of the answers correct will earn their team an additional 50 points. Which team will be this year's Christmas Trail Event champions? Francine hopes you spot the deliberate mistake -- it's the letter and not the number you write on the tree! Posters will be in houses and trees will be in shops after 11.30am tomorrow.

# **Christmas Performances**

Our EYFS Nativity and KS1 production of Santa's Hat take place next week. Doors will open for the 10.30am performances at 10.15am and at 5.15pm for the 5.30pm performance for KS1. We would be grateful if KS1 children could return to school at 5pm (not before) to prepare for the evening performance. Please note that we would be grateful if any young children or babies attending are taken out of the hall if they begin to become unsettled or cry during the performances so that others can continue to enjoy them and as we have children who are not allowed to be filmed or photographed, we ask that parents do not film the performance or take photographs during the performances. There will be time following the morning performances for you to take photographs of your child in their costume.

# **Christmas Special Plant Stall**

A Christmas Special Plant stall is being held on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December from 9.30am on the wall of 12 Mill Race, Wolsingham. There will be indoor and outdoor plants and gifts available.

#### Cinderella

The Wolsingham WI and Weardale Warblers are presenting 'Cinderella' at Wolsingham Town Hall on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm and Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January at 2pm. Tickets are £5 per adult including tea or coffee and £3 per child including juice and popcorn. If you are interested and would like to purchase tickets, please contact Pat Clarke on 01388 527557.

#### **Children's Christmas Party with Disco**

Wolsingham CIU and the Charles Attwood in Wolsingham market place are holding a Children's Christmas Party with disco and a visit from Santa on Friday 16th December 6 till 8pm. Tickets are free and can be collected from bar staff at the club.

#### Aladdin

A performance of the pantomime Aladdin will be performed by the Shooting Star theatre group on Sunday 18th December at 1.30pm at Wolsingham CIU and Charles Attwood in Wolsingham market place. Tickets are £5 per head and can be purchased from bar staff at the club.

#### Dates for your diary...

EYFS Nativity	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 10.30am
Key Stage 1 Christmas Production	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 10.30am and 5.30pm
Nursery Parents Christmas Crafts Session	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Fair	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 3.30pm
EYFS Christmas Party	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Lunch	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December am
Key Stage 1 Christmas Party	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December am
Key Stage 2 Christmas Party	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December pm
Key Stage 2 Carol Service	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2pm
School Closes for Christmas Break	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December
School Opens	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January

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