



## ESCRICK CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 14

9<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is such a busy time of year so please read the newsletter carefully so that you don't miss anything!

**This afternoon and tomorrow afternoon** we have some music events in school and those parents invited please can we ask you to use the main car park/pedestrian entrance. We ask you to arrive no earlier than 2.05pm, thank you.

At **5pm on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December, Mr Lewis** (CEO SYMAT) is holding a meeting for parents and carers to discuss the new Leadership structure that will be in place from January. We have received many kind words regarding this arrangement but please come along, especially if you have any questions.

On **Thursday** please can you make sure that your child is in school promptly, with a packed lunch in a disposable bag and wearing their full school uniform.

We currently have a number of **Christingle collection candle boxes** in school, if you would like to donate then please do so. The Children's Society raise funds to help children across the UK to transform their lives and build them a better future.

### **TTRS Battle Of The MAT!**

We are thrilled to see how many children have been engaging with TTRS and some children around school have received certificates for their super efforts. To further celebrate our love for times tables, we have been invited to a 'Battle' against Dunnington and Wheldrake Primary Schools! This will be open for **Year 5 and Year 6** between **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December**. The aim is to answer as many questions as possible in any game type, and the class with the highest number of correct answers per pupil will be the winners! Please see the attached poster for more information. Good luck Year 5 and 6!

### **THANK YOU**

Could you please say a big thank you to all the children and staff who were involved in making the two trees for the Christmas Tree Festival at St Helen's Church. The trees were lovely and attracted the attention of the many visitors who came to look at all the different trees. It was a successful event and as always we're very grateful for your valued support. Best wishes Christine Mason.

**Headteacher Awards** – I am pleased to share with you that the following children were presented with the Headteacher Awards earlier today.

**Neptune** – **All of Year 6** for approaching their practice SATs with great resilience and determination.

**Saturn** – **Ethan B** for trying his best and always being enthusiastic towards his learning.

**Jupiter** – **All of Year 4** for their dedication and enthusiasm in planning and running their Roman Museum.

**Mars** – **Elsie** for her enthusiasm and determination learning her times tables.

**Earth** – **Lillie** for demonstrating excellent learning behaviours consistently across all areas of the curriculum. Well done and thank you.

**Venus** – **Rupert** for super sentences about the Naughty Bus and remembering to use the tricky words.

**Mercury** – **Sophia** for showing excellent enthusiasm in the Nativity and also super efforts in the classroom tasks.

**Juice and biscuits: Florence W and Bea (Y6); Emily P and Will (Y5); Florence and Ivy (Y4) Harry and William (Y3); George A and Ida (Y2); Darcey and Henry A (Y1) and Grace and Savannah (Rec).**

#### **THANK YOU from YORK MINSTER**

Just a quick word to say thank you all so much for your efforts in decorating the trees last week. They look absolutely fantastic and we are getting so many compliments from visitors. Please do come back to see the fully-decorated trees in all their festive glory and bring your family and friends!

**THANK YOU** to the choir who sang beautifully at the Village Tea Rooms and at the Carols on the Green. We received many compliments about the gorgeous singing and it was lovely to see the children enjoying these opportunities too.

The **Christmas Post box** has now arrived in the hall should any child wish to post their Christmas cards ready for the big day. If children are using the post box please can we ask the name and class/year/surname of the child is also included to make sure that the postmen and women can do their job efficiently eg Jemima Puddleduck Year 5 or Jemima Year 5.

**Last week we held our first Positive Noticing Day** and it was a huge success. The children enjoyed reflecting on their peers and sharing positive and uplifting comments and words about their class mates. It truly lifted many children's self-esteem. Thank you to Mrs Allen for organising the day.

### 100 Club winners - December

1<sup>st</sup> – Laura Holgate £30

2<sup>nd</sup> – Ruth Harker £20

3<sup>rd</sup> – Ross Mitchell £10

4<sup>th</sup> – Helen Clark £5

### Hamper Raffle

Thank you for your kind donations for our annual Hamper Raffle. Please can we remind you to send any unsold/sold tickets and money back to school by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December, ready for the draw on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

Thank you for the kind donations made for the York Mix Toy Appeal. Miss Humphrey has delivered our donations to the collection point and we really do value your generosity.



### CHRISTMAS DATES –

Year 3 and 4 Carols round the tree and Trumpet Music Ensemble	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2.15pm – for parents of children in Years 3 and 4
Rock Steady Concert – for those parents whose children have lessons	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December at 2.15pm
Whole school trip to the Panto.... shhhhh don't tell them!!!	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 9am
The Elf Run in aid of St Leonards Hospice	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December am
Reception only Christmas Play	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2.15pm – 3 tickets per family
Year 1/2 only Christmas Play	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 9.30 and 2.15pm – 2 tickets per family

Whole school Christmas Lunch Day (wear your Christmas jumpers but school dress/skirt/ trousers/shorts please).	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December
Class Christmas Party Day	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December – during the school day and children to be in party clothes and bring their own party food on a plate.
Non-Uniform Day	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December – whole school reward of non-uniform and we finish at 1.30pm for the Christmas break

With very best wishes,

Miss Emma E Miller

**‘Every person is an individual and also part of a community’.**

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

**Safeguarding children** – if you have any concerns for the welfare of a child please contact Miss Miller or Mr Broxup (if in school hours) or alternatively the NYCC safeguarding team can be contacted via this link <https://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/about-us/worried-about-a-child/>

**Respecting staff** – our staff are dedicated professionals. We will not accept any abuse towards our staff