

# NORTH DUFFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



*Growing Learners for Life*

Autumn

December Newsletter



## MR RUSSELL'S UPDATES

### Dear Parents

Another year is almost over, they seem to go so quickly.

The end of term is always a joyous occasion with some magical events for the children, staff and parents. In the last month, we have been treated to the KS1 and EYFS children performing "Magical Christmas Journey" and KS2's beautiful singing of traditional and new carols. We are all proud of the hard work the children put into their performances

In the last week of term we have had our annually Christingle Service at St Helen's Church Skipwith. The sight of over 100 christingles shining in the church and the children singing is something special and an important tradition for the school. We have ended our Christmas festivities with a lovely Christmas lunch and the children's parties, which included a visit from Santa.

### Dinner Money

Thank you to all the parents who continue to pay for school meals in advance. As the school is now running the kitchen any unpaid money will come from the school budget to cover the costs of the food and staff. A polite reminder that any outstanding dinner money debts should be settled by the end of the term. If these are not paid then the school may take further action.

### Training Day

The school will reopen for the children on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January. Staff will be in school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> for an INSET Day.

The staff and I would like to thank all the parents and the community for their continued support and wish you a very happy Christmas, we will see you in 2019.

Kind Regards

Mr Russell  
**Headteacher**

## Sports News

### Year 1 Multi Skills

On Monday November 26th all the Year 1's children spent an afternoon at Barlby High School taking part in lots of fun multi-skills events. Everyone tried really hard to complete the challenges, while having a brilliant time as they worked. From what I could see the relay race was one of the favourites. There were some speedy runners! I think we are almost ready for sports day.

Ms Henriques



### Year 3 and 4 Games

Children from Class 3 have attended a sports afternoon at Selby College organised by the Barlby Cluster Sports Co-ordinator. The children participated in a range of different sports like boccia and curling with different schools from the Barlby area.



**ROBINS**

**SCORE**

**5973**

**MALLARDS**

**SCORE**

**5737**

**TEALS**

**SCORE**

**5590**

**SUNBIRDS**

**SCORE**

**6009**

## House News

Well done to the Sunbirds, this term's house point winning team. The School Council will announce the house reward after Christmas.

## Parents Forum

At the Parents' Consultations in October, Mrs Harrison, a member of the Governing Body, collected a number of responses regarding school. One of the areas discussed was that parents would like a selection of extra-curricular activities for the children.

In the second half of the autumn term we now have a club on every night. Children are able to participate in French and art activities in Classes 1 and 2 or bowls, curling, baking or choir in Classes 3,4 and 5. We intend to keep the clubs running after the holidays

## Safeguarding Matters



### **Keeping our Children Safe**

If you have any concerns or would like to discuss a safeguarding matters please speak to the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Mounfield or our Pastoral Support Officer (Deputy Safeguarding Lead), Mrs Smith.

## Diary Dates

### **Autumn Term**

Friday 21 December

Christmas Holidays

### **Spring Term**

Monday 7 January

INSET Day for staff

Tuesday 8 January

Children return to school

Wednesday 30 January

NSPCC Assembly

Friday 22 February

School closes for half term

Monday 4 March

School opens for second half Term

Monday 11 March- 14 March

Year 6 Bikeability

Thursday 21 March

Skipwith & North Duffield  
60 Club Concert

Friday 12 April

School Closes for Easter  
Holiday



Christmas at North  
Duffield School

