



North Walney Primary, Nursery & Pre-School

"The Place to be - where Children are at our Heart"

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Newsletter 13

The Values theme this half-term: Friendship

Value of the week: I encourage other people

Dear Parents and Children

Christmas is nearly here at North Walney as the Christmas trees have now arrived and are ready for decorating! It is hard to believe that we are already in December and that there are only 2 weeks left of this term – and still so much to fit in! Exciting times ahead!

As the Christmas Trees are sooooo beautiful, we have decided to raffle them off at the end of term – so tickets are now available for £1.00 each for your chance to win a lovely Christmas tree for your house! We will take great care of it before then and make sure that it is watered and that we take our decorations off carefully! Pickup must be on Monday 18th December between 9am and 1pm.

Green Jumper Winners!

Well done for working with everyone last week – you Superstars!



"Creative Learning, Quality Education, Achieving Dreams"

Ofsted 2017: 'Early Years continues to be strong and the management of teaching is stronger and more effective having transformed in a surprisingly short period of time. Everyone has faith in the school which has strong pupil welfare and safeguarding with great sensitivity and caring shown to all pupils.'

Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair is on this Wednesday 6th December from 4:00 to 5:30pm! **We still need a few more adult helpers as we have a fabulous range of stalls once again** – so please see Leanne, Cora or Kimberley if you are free to help! Any more donations for the fair are always welcome and would like to suggest that different classes try and donate different things:



- * *Pre-school, Nursery and Reception—Girls Hamper so please send in bobbles, bubble bath, books, anything girlie*
- * *Year 1 & 2—Boys Hamper so please send in cars, bubble bath, colouring books, footballs, books etc*
- * *Year 3 & 4—Pamper Hamper so please send in chocolates, bubbles, toiletries, face masks etc*
- * *Year 5 & 6—Christmas Eve Hamper so please send in Christmas book, Christmas socks etc*

Christmas Production of ‘Straw and Order’

Our Christmas Production is being held at St Mary’s church on Thursday 14th December at 1:45pm and will finish at 2:45pm whereupon children can be collected from the church itself – as long as staff have been informed. Please do come and join us as we really get into the festive spirit with this wonderful production – the children are working so hard at the acting and the singing, and I am so excited about it! Its going to be fab!



A BIG thank you from the foodbank!

Our Harvest donations have meant that the foodbank is able to provide an additional 287 meals which is amazing. Well done to everyone for joining in and really showing how caring our school is!

Please note that the foodbank is closed between 23rd December and 3rd January 2018.



Why Choose North Walney?

If you haven’t yet seen our new video showing all the reasons then please do check it out on our YouTube channel and then share it with your friends and family. You can also find it on Facebook and Twitter, hopefully at the top of our pages! North Walney is a great school and we want to share with everyone, just how great it is!



Karate and Football – finished for this term

No more clubs this term now – everything is back in the Spring! Thank you to Brad and Natalie for providing both the clubs again for us – and well done to everyone who passed their gradings in Karate last week! New belts are already on their way!

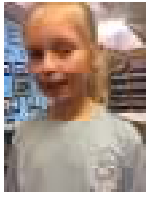
It is also the last swimming session for Year 5/6 this week!



Bills!

Please make sure that all of your bills are up to date and paid by the end of term – there are only 2 more weeks to go! If there is any problem, please call in and speak to Mrs Malone.





NEW PE shirts

The new PE shirts can be ordered from the office for the small sum of £2.00 each. This is a one off opportunity to get a new PE shirt at this price and orders need to be in before the end of term, complete with payment. Next term, the cost will rise to the official price of £5.99 from Identity – so get yours now! *Please remember that if you do not require one yet, then please don't feel obliged to get one...however, when they next need a PE shirt then they will need one of these.*

Christmas Events in Wagtails – and the rest of school!

Please keep a close eye on the dates for other exciting Christmas Events across the school over the next 2 weeks including parties, sing-a-longs and trips to the zoo for Wagtails! We wouldn't want anyone to miss out!



Nasal flu catch-up appointments

If your child missed their nasal flu vaccination then there is another opportunity to get one. On Tuesday 19th December from 3:00-4:30pm, you can go to the Atkinson Health Centre on Market Street in Barrow and your child will be able to have theirs done.

Christmas Natterjacks – Monday 18th December

Spaces are still available for Christmas Natterjacks as the team have decided to offer parents of all the children from Reception to Year 6 the chance to have an extra day shopping/working! Natterjacks will be open from 9am to 1pm for £15.00 per pupil plus £2.50 if they want a school packed lunch. All you need to do is complete the form we sent out a few weeks ago! Just pop in and see either Cora or Mrs Malone for more details or a new form.



And finally...

As we get ready for 2018 I was wondering if anyone else had any ideas of what else we can be doing in school and how else we can all work together to further develop all that North Walney offers to the children. All thoughts and ideas will be gratefully received – so do put your thinking hats on and let me know! Thank you!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Slater".

Paul Slater



Natterjacks Breakfast Club – Open from 7:45am
Natterjacks After School Club – Open between 3:15 and 5:00pm

Dates for this week:

Monday 4 December	Christmas Dinner.
Tuesday 5 December	
Wednesday 6 December	2.45pm Wagtails Christmas show. 4 – 5.30pm Christmas Fair.
Thursday 7 December	YR 5/6 Swimming £2.00 Last one this term. 11.00am Wagtails Christmas show.
Friday 8 December	9.15am – 12pm Library van in school.

Future Dates:

Monday 11 December	Dress rehearsal for the play.
Tuesday 12 December	9.30am Wagtails trip to the Zoo.
Wednesday 13 December	KS2 Film afternoon.
Thursday 14 December	12.30pm Wagtails at the Panto. 1.45pm Carol Service Production at St Mary's Church.
Friday 15 December	KS 1 & 2 Christmas parties. School Finishes at 1.15pm.

Dates for this term:

Wednesday 6 th December, after school	PTA Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 13 th December	Specific children going to the Church for a rehearsal of the Christmas Play
Thursday 14 th December	Christmas Play 'Straw and Order' will be performed at St Mary's Church at 1:45pm – please do come and join us!
Friday 15 th December	End of term at 1:15pm – No Natterjacks!

Tests in 2018!

Please can I remind everyone that we have national tests during the summer term and we need all of the children in school, especially on the following dates!

Year 1 Phonics tests – during w/b 11th June 2018

Year 2 SAT tests – during May 2018

Year 6 SAT tests – during w/b 14th May 2018

