

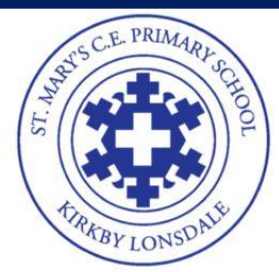
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St. Mary's

Church of England Primary School

Kirkby Lonsdale



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND



Newsletter #12 - Autumn Term

Dear Parents,

As start advent and as we come to the final two weeks of the school term, there are so many events and exciting things taking place. Please see the list of things going on below.

It was lovely to be able to join the Y6 children in Liverpool and I know they have been having a great time. It is so good that we can manage to organise this event. The weekend is also full of exciting events as the choir are singing as part of the Kirkby Lonsdale Christmas Fair weekend. Have a great time singing children!

Just to let you know, as from Monday I will be at St Mary's full time for the last two weeks, having shared my time with Old Hutton School during this term.

Thank you for supporting all of the many events and experiences this week, and over the next few weeks. We are particularly looking forward to the PTA Christmas Fair next week and the MUFTI Day tomorrow – all gifts gratefully received, thank you.

Mr Jones

MUFTI day (non-uniform day) Friday 3rd December

Please bring in jars filled with sweets and chocolate/sweet prizes for the PTA Christmas Fair on mufti day on Friday 3rd December.

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Children can wear their own clothes tomorrow.

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Doodle Maths

We're excited to announce the return of the Winter Calendar in Doodle Maths. The Winter Calendar is designed to encourage a few minutes of daily Doodling, helping children to top-up their knowledge over the holidays. And this year, learners can earn exclusive Winter Calendar badges by opening all of its doors!

The Winter Calendar can be found as a colourful icon in the **My Robot** page of Doodle Maths. Between the **1st of December and the 24th of December**, children can unlock the doors on one or both calendars by completing an x-a-day exercise each day in DoodleMaths.

Unlocking the doors on the DoodleMaths Winter Calendar will reward learners with seasonal accessories to customise their robot and songs for their jukebox.



On the **1st of December** and complete an x-a-day exercise to get started! Don't worry if your child misses a day on their calendar; they can use their stars to open any doors they've missed.

The last day for unlocking any unopened doors is the **6th of January 2022**, so make sure they've opened them all by this date to receive their **Winter Calendar badge**.

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Public information leaflet on multi-agency response to Storm Arwen

Monday 29 November

The multi-agency response to Storm Arwen continues as the county recovers from the adverse weather and continued power outage in some communities.

Electricity North West are working hard to restore power as soon as possible to those who remain without electricity.

Food vans and Community Hubs have been set up to provide hot meals and beverages and somewhere to charge mobile phones in the following locations:

- **Ambleside** - Food van - located at Waterhead Car Park, Waterhead Car Park, Borrans Road, Windermere, LA22 0GS
 - **Alston** - Food van - Next to Wright's Garage at Nenthead, Wright Bros Coaches, Nenthead, Alston CA9 3NP
 - **Community Hub** - located at the Masonic Hall in Alston. Hot drinks, food, charging points, access to support officers for help and advice.
 - **Coniston** - Community Hub - located at Coniston Sports and Social Centre, Shepherds Bridge Lane, Coniston LA21 8AL
- The food vans will remain in these locations for as long as they are needed and will be serving food and beverages – for the latest information regarding their locations and times – check the county council's social media (if possible) or listen to Radio Cumbria (again if possible given power outages).

Local reception centres have been set up in Coniston and at Alston with more expected to open tomorrow.

Urgent hotel accommodation for any highly vulnerable people who cannot manage in their homes will be paid for by Electricity North West directly - please call 105 for more information. More detail on this will be available online on Tuesday 30 November and will also be shared with the local media and local agencies that are on the ground in your community for you to talk too.

Some properties may be experiencing water supply issues. Water supply vehicles have been organised by united utilities and where needed alternative arrangements such as bottled water have been arranged.

BT are aware of some disruption to mobile phone signals due to the power outages and where possible generators are being deployed so these networks can be restored. Residents are reminded that if they have an analogue phone these will work even without power.

Please continue to check in on your neighbours and any vulnerable people in your communities. If a vulnerable person is without power and you are concerned for their welfare, please contact 101.

If you can please keep checking social media for updates or if possible, tune into BBC Radio Cumbria.

Who to contact

- If you wish to report a problem on the county's roads, please report online via the **County Council's website**.
- For power cuts contact Electricity North West on **105**, but please only call if your query is urgent to help prioritise customers in the most vulnerable circumstances.
- For water supply issues contact United Utilities on **0345 672 3723**.
- If you are open to Cumbria County Council's Adult Social Care, have care and support needs and these needs cannot be met due to the power outage, please contact Adult Social Care on **01228 526690**.
- If you need assistance or support please call **101** for any help that doesn't require an immediate police response. In an emergency always call **999**.
- Keep up-to-date with the weather at **www.metoffice.gov.uk**.
- Please do not call the police to check on road closures, please visit the traffic map for up-to-date information: **www.cumbria.police.uk/traffic**
- or again listen to local media including Radio Cumbria

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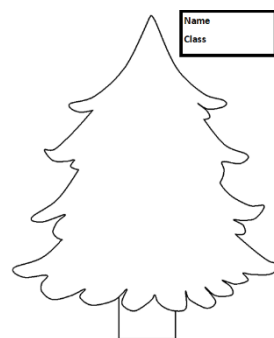
Hanukkah Afternoon

We have held a lovely afternoon celebrating the Jewish festival of Hanukkah as part of our learning about festivals of light. From making menorahs to tasting donuts the children have had a creative time. Many of the children played dreidel games and watched videos and read stories about the origins of the festival. 240 donuts were consumed!



Annual Christmas Competition

Each year Mr Jones does a photo competition for the children with excellent prizes for the winners. On Friday, the children will be taking home a Photo Competition (juniors) or a Design a Christmas Tree (infants) these can be returned to school and the children can put them into the boxes in the school office. Winners will be announced in the last week of the holidays. Entries must arrive by the 13th December.



Name the famous people wearing Christmas party outfits.
Hand in your form to Mr Jones by 13th December

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Christmas prizes (Infants) and a £40 Tree Top Nets Voucher (Juniors) for the winner.

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Year 6 Visit to Liverpool

We are so pleased to be able to take the children to Liverpool despite the many challenges in making this happen. Covid restrictions has meant that the children have not had a residential in the Juniors and we really wanted to make this a special time. At a time when schools continue to limit visits, I would like to thank the staff for giving up their family time to make this happen and a big well done to the parents for letting them go! They will be very tired when they get back!



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Reindeer Rush

If you are new to school or you may have not remembered, the school council introduced a fun run a few years ago to raise funds for The St John's Hospice. Mindful of the wonderful work the Hospice does, we have supported them each year. Typically, we have raised over £1000 each year to help the hospice. On **Monday 13th December** we will be running. **We provide the Reindeer Antlers, but the children will need PE kit and a change of warm clothes and possibly trainers too.**



Please can we encourage you to share this link with family members to donate to this amazing charity. Where possible, please can we ask that the children help with logging on to this website so they feel part of the giving. Thank you so much.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/reindeerrush>



Watch here :

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ZUqb-HWEWY>

Previous run photo:



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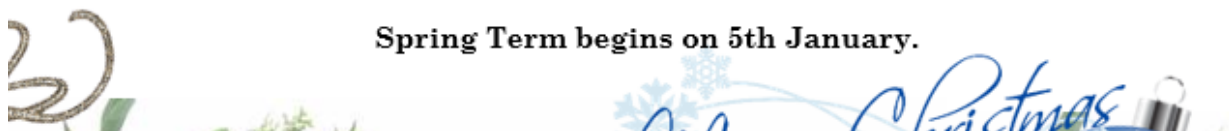
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29 th November	Hanukkah Day
1 st -3 rd December	Y6 Residential to Liverpool
4 th -5 th December	Kirkby Lonsdale Fair Events (Choir)
6 th December	Y1 at Pantomime – The Box
7 th December	Nativity Crafts and Songs – YN & R
8 th December	Nativity Crafts and Songs – Y1 &2 Home Projects Day
9 th December	PTA Christmas Outdoor Market at School 4:30-6:30pm
13 th December	Nursery Christmas Party Reindeer Rush – Sponsored Run (St John’s Hospice) 
14 th December	Reception Nativity at St Mary’s Church 9:30am (YR parents only) Year 5 and 6 Christmas Party (pm)
15 th December	Christmas Dinner (Christmas Jumpers and Santa Hats)   YR-Y2 Christmas Party (pm)
16 th December	Christmas Carol Singing in Kirkby Lonsdale (am)  Year 3 and 4 Christmas Party (pm)
17 th December	Christmas Assembly & Christmas Cinema Morning  (Christmas Jumpers) Autumn Term ends at 1:15pm Spring Term begins on 5th January.



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