Amble Links First School CHRISTMAS 2018 SPECIAL

We've got a really busy Christmas period coming up. Please keep a very close eye on the diary on the newsletter and our Facebook Page to ensure you're fully up to date.

Monday 3rd December 3.15pm- CHRISTMAS CRAFT EVENING



Our first Christmas activities begin on Monday after school with our Christmas Craft Evening. Parents are invited to bring their children back into the school hall once they have been collected to take part in a range of Christmas craft activities and to help decorate our Christmas tree. Parents should collect the children as usual and bring them back in through the main school doors. Children's coats and bags should be taken to the library (Nursery Reception, Y1 and Y2) or the Meeting Room opposite the office (Y3 and Y4) and placed in the areas marked for them. All children must be accompanied by an adult. The PTA will have refreshments on sale and will also be starting to sell Christmas Raffle tickets.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO DANCE, KARATE OR AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ON MONDAY

Tuesday 4th December 3.15pm- PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR

It's our PTA Christmas Fair on Tuesday after school. Please collect children as usual before bringing them back in to the hall through the main door. Thanks to everyone who has already given donations of prizes—don't forget that children bringing in donations will receive a small treat at the office. We also hope that parents will donate cakes on the day too! Tickets for seeing Santa are selling quickly so don't forget to call into the office to get yours and avoid waiting for a long time on the night. We look forward to seeing you there! **THERE WILL BE NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS ON TUESDAY**.

Wednesday 5th December - Dovecote Centre Theatre/Tiddlywinks

On Wednesday morning we'll be taking the children in Years 1-4 to see Northumberland Theatre Company's performance of 'The Little Maid Who Danced to Every Mood'. We will be walking the children along so please ensure they have appropriate coats and footwear. At the same time the children in Nursery and Reception will be enjoying a session with Tiddlywinks—dance and movement to a winter wonderland theme. Both of these events have been kindly funded by our PTA.

Thursday 6th December - CHRISTINGLE ASSEMBLY 9am

Parents are invited to join us on Thursday morning for our Christingle Assembly which will be led by Linda Williams from St Cuthbert's Church (also our chair of governors). Assembly will begin at 9am in the hall . Parents are then welcome to go back to classrooms with the children to help make their own Christingles which they will then bring home.



Monday 10th December - 9.30am (Doors open at 9am) & 2.00pm (Doors open at 1.30pm) Tuesday 11th December - 9.30am (Doors open at 9am)

NURSERY, RECEPTION AND Y1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

As usual, parents are asked to attend **JUST ONE** of the performances to give everyone a fair chance to see the children perform. The vast majority of parents have done this in previous years meaning that we have not had to offer limited numbers of tickets per child to see the performance. Babies and toddlers are welcome to come along to the performances but parents are asked to take them out if they begin to make a noise so that everyone else is able to hear the voices of our youngest children. Our PTA will be offering refreshments and selling raffle tickets.

Friday 14th December - PARENTS TO SEE BOOKS IN CLASSROOMS AFTER ASSEMBLY

THERE WILL BE NO FURTHER AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS UNTIL THE NEW YEAR AFTER FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER.

BREAKFAST CLUB WILL CONTINUE AS USUAL.

CHRISTMAS 2018 Dates (Cont.)

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Monday 17th December - 2pm (Doors open 1.30pm) Tuesday 18th December 9.30am (Doors open 9am) YEAR 2,3 & 4 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

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Wednesday 19th December - 1.30pm -NATIVITY SERVICE AT ST CUTHBERT'S CHURCH



Parents and friends are welcome to join us for our Christmas Carol Service at St Cuthbert's Church at

1.30pm on Wednesday. Parents are invited to help us walk the children to the church and should arrive at school at 1pm and wait on the Key Stage 1 yard to meet the children as they come out of school. Parents will be able to take the children home directly from the church. All other children will be walked back to school and should be collected at 3.15pm. We look forward to seeing you at the church.

Thursday 20th December - CHRISTMAS JUMPER AND CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY

The children will be enjoying their Christmas dinner on Thursday 20th. If your child normally has a packed lunch and you would like them to have a dinner please bring payment of £2.20 to the school office by the end of Monday 17th December. THERE WILL BE NO BAKED POTATO OR PASTA OPTION ON THIS DAY. The children are also invited to come to school wearing Christmas jumpers! This has become a very popular event and we love to see the range of jumpers the children come in, including the homemade creations. As it can get quite warm in school, we ask that the children wear the majority of their school uniform and just replace their school jumper with a Christmas one so layers can be taken off if need be.

Friday 21st December - PARTY DAY AND END OF TERM

It is our last day at school before Christmas so it will be our party day! Children can come to school in party clothes and we will be providing party food at lunchtime for ALL children including those who normally have a packed lunch. Dinner in the last week will therefore only be £8.80 - please pay this by Monday 17th December.

SCHOOL CLOSES AT 2PM ON THE LAST DAY OF TERM. ALL CHILDREN MUST BE COLLECTED BY AN ADULT AT THIS TIME

As you will see, it is an extremely busy time of year in school. Please keep this sheet somewhere safe so you'll know what's going on each day!