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Headteacher's weekly newsletter (N°12)
25th November 2022

The following three school rules underpin and uphold our beliefs in our behaviour policy:
We are ready to learn
We are respectful to everyone and everything else
We make safe choices

- We are pleased to report that we raised £488 for BBC Children in Need which has now been sent to the charity. Thank you to everyone that contributed.
- We are pleased to be able to share with you the amounts that was raised from the recent FOG events held in school this term. Once expenses have been deducted, all monies raised by FOG go to enhancing our curriculum for all children. A huge thank you to everyone that helped and supported these events. I hope that FOG will produce a newsletter before the end of term.
  - Uppers School Disco - £766.96
  - Lowers School Disco - £688.63
  - Fireworks Extravaganza - £6321.64
- Thank you to everyone that attended the Mathematics evening last night with Mr Cooper. We hope you found the evening informative.
- Our Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSOs) in Yr5 hosted a 'Be Bright, Be Seen' day today to raise awareness of the importance of being visible on the roads and pavements, especially during the darker evenings. It was good to see the children wear bright/reflective clothing.
- A 'Name the Bear' competition will be running from Monday 28th November 2022 to help raise funds for the charity JDRF who support children and young people with Type 1 diabetes. It is being organised by Miss Cousins, LSA in Yr5, who recently completed the London Marathon. Her two daughters are in Yr5 and Yr4, one of which was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes last November. Please send some change into school if you would like your child to take part. Thank you.
- We have sent a letter out today detailing the activities that we have arranged for the last three weeks of term. As you can see it is a busy time of year in school. Please take a moment to read it and make a note of the dates.
- There will be a Christingle Service on Christmas Eve here at Guillemont Junior School with Newfire Worship and the Guillemont school choir starting at 4pm. Tickets cost £1 per person or £2 for a family of 4; all proceeds to children's charity Peggy's Gifts. Tickets are available from the school office now.
- The Arbor App goes live at 4pm this afternoon for booking your tickets for the Christmas Performances. Once you have booked either the 1.30pm or 7.00pm performance, two tickets per family will be sent home. If you would like one ticket for each performance, please contact the school office as a separate letter will be given with a ticket for each performance. Please do not bring any children as there will be no space for them. The Guillemont children will have the opportunity to watch the dress rehearsal performance. There are 140 tickets available for each performance. Once all tickets have been booked, the system will not issue any more… the hall is sold out.

  A reminder that the dates of the Christmas Performances are as follows:
  - Yr3 'Superstar' Tuesday 6th December 2022: 10.30am (dress rehearsal), 1.30pm and 7pm.
  - Yr4 'The Jigsaw' Thursday 8th December 2022: 10.30am (dress rehearsal), 1.30pm and 7pm.
  - Yr5 'Straw and Order' Tuesday 13th December 2022: 10.30am (dress rehearsal), 1.30pm and 7pm.
  - Yr6 'Carols and Readings' Thursday 15th December 2022 - 10.30am (dress rehearsal), 1.30pm and 7pm.
- A few reminders:
  - Class ER's assembly takes place on Wednesday 30th November 2022 at 2.45pm to 3.15pm. All parents, carers and grandparents are welcome to come along and watch. Please enter school through reception.
  - Yr5 swimming lessons will resume on Thursday 1st December 2022. Please remember costume and towel. An extra four lessons will be added in January 2023.
  - English Evening for parents and carers will be held on Thursday 1st December 2022 at 6.30pm in the school hall. The meeting will last approximately one hour. Mrs Barry will be leading this evening.
  - Rock Steady Concert for parents and carers has been arranged for Thursday 1st December 2022 at 8.30am in the school hall.

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- Class EW visit to the Panto, Cinderella, on Tuesday 13th December 2022. A letter has been sent this week with details.

- Attendance Information: A reminder that 96% attendance and punctuality is the target. This week we have had a sickness/coughing bug going around that has also affected staff.

W/B. 21st November 2022	
Class	**% Attendance**
DB	97.3%
CJ	96.5%
LA	96.3%
MC	95.6%
NB	94.6%
AB	93.3%
ER	93.0%
EW	92.2%
KT	91.3%
MP	89.3%
EA	86.5%
SD	84.8%
YK	82.8%

- Congratulations to the following children that received an achievement certificate today.
  - Aubree Powell YK
  - Harry Nugent YK
  - Oscar Mapp EA
  - Ieuan Vincent EA
  - Freddie Hornblow MC
  - Lilly Wicks MC
  - Eva Boorman KT
  - Freddie Watson-Cross KT
  - Eviee Amos LA
  - Sophie Fisher LA
  - Bethany Beaumont CJ
  - Tabitha Cowling CJ
  - Hope Lindsay NB
  - Lewis Bain NB
  - James Garfoot ER
  - Zimal Sadia ER
  - Emelia Lo Bianco MP
  - Gerasimos Nicoladis MP
  - Crystal Vincent AB
  - James Lock AB
  - Sara Wakil EW
  - Arthur Gomes EW
  - Cody Pilkington DB
  - Mollie Jones DB

Best wishes
Denis Foster (Headteacher)