

Newsletter

21st December 2018

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A note from Mrs Peacock

We ended our term with 'Carols Around the Tree' to get us in the mood for Christmas. It was a lovely community time. Thank you to Mr Parkinson for playing for us and the 'Friends' for the refreshments. We really do appreciate their help. Also a big thank you to everyone who supported our raffle / Christmas square - and to Ellie who worked hard to sell some squares for us.

Well done to Tiger Class for their brilliant performances of 'Born in a Barn' and to Panthers for their beautiful singing. I was very proud of them all.

After the Christmas break we will be welcoming a new staff member, Rebecca Cornforth, into Tiger Class as a teaching assistant. Mrs Cornforth will work on a Thursday and Friday morning and we are looking forward to welcoming her to our team.

I would like to thank you all for your support over the last term and look forward to 2019.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Spread the Word!

We are very excited to be able to let you know that, after a complete refurbishment this term, the new nursery is now ready to open on our school site. Caroline of Seedlings Montessori has informed us that the setting at West Tanfield has received its certificate from Ofsted and she is now taking registrations. If you would like to look around (or know anyone who is interested in looking around), Caroline can be contacted by email or phone at:

caspinall@seedlingsmontessori.info

07709 118125

We would like to welcome Caroline and her team to our school as we look forward to working together to provide a high standard of education and childcare in our community.



This week we would like to congratulate all the children for their performance of 'Born in a Barn'. Well done, children, you are all stars!

All the children of
**St Nicholas CE
School**

...for working
together to perform
a super nativity!

Born in a Barn

It was lovely to see so many parents, carers and friends of our school at our two Nativity Services this week. We are sure that you will agree that all the children did really well, from the youngest who acted out the Christmas story so well to the older children who told the story so beautifully through their truly fantastic singing - a real team effort! It is such a special part of school life when the children come together to work as a team and support one another to produce such an amazing result. Our thanks to the members of the Methodist Church for being as welcoming and supportive as ever and to the Reverends Malham and Cleeves for their contributions. We are also very grateful to Mr Ash and Mr Parkinson who each played for us during the performances.

Coming up next term...

Monday 7th January

INSET Day - school closed

Tuesday 8th January

School re-opens

21st - 25th January

Y5/6 Residential visit to Ingleborough Hall

Tuesday 5th February

Tigers to celebrate Chinese New Year @KM

Can you help?

We are still in need of parent helpers to join the rota for:

Tigers Forest School - Wednesday pm
and

Y3/4 Swimming Friday am

Please let us know asap if you can help with either of these activities.

Fun at St Nicholas Church

The children in Panthers received a very warm welcome from Reverend Cleeves, Mrs Raw and their team of helpers when they went to help decorate St Nicholas Church yesterday. Many thanks also to Mrs Bourne-Arton who had prepared a quiz for the children to do. Great fun was had by all.

Smart Start

Our new breakfast club is up and running with new faces in attendance. Please let us know if your child would like to attend next year. Our fun activities 'Wake Up and Shake Up' starts in January. Sharon would like to pass on her thanks to all of you who have supported Family Friday lunches and sends her wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



🎄 Wishing everyone a wonderful Christmas break! 🎄