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Weekly Newsletter: 11th December 2023

Christmas Performances

Reminder: our traditional performances are coming up soon. The children are all very busy rehearsing and looking forward to performing in front of their families & friends. Thank you to everyone who has ordered tickets already; please see below for the deadlines (additional tickets requested will be sent home after this date).

Key Stage	Name of performance	Date (time)	Ticket cost	Deadline
EYFS	Chocolate Nativity	13 th Dec (10am)	£2 each	(passed)
KS1	The Shiniest Star	20 th Dec (2pm)	£2 each	13 th Dec
KS2	Panto Pandemonium	18 th Dec (1:45pm & 7pm)	£3 per adult (£2 child OAP)	13 th Dec

Christmas Jumper Day

We raised £67.88 for Save the Children on Christmas Jumper Day. Thank you for your support.

Fizzy drinks during party afternoon

During our (school) party afternoon, we normally allow the children to have one or two fizzy drinks (of cola / lemonade). These are served by adults to ensure they don't have too much and there is always cordial (blackcurrant / orange) available as well. It has been brought to our attention however that some parents may not want their children to have fizzy drinks. If you would rather your child did NOT have fizzy drinks, please click [here](#) (deadline Friday 15th December).

Sheffield Parenting What's On? Guide

The latest edition of the Sheffield Parenting 'What's On?' Guide is now available. It includes details about a range of seminars, discussion groups and parenting programmes that you may find useful (including a *Father's Seminar*, *Raising Resilient Children*, *Getting Teenagers Connected*, *Developing Good Bedtime Routines* and more. If you would like a copy, please email me on headteacher@wharnc Cliffside.sheffield.sch.uk or pop into reception for a paper version.

Sheffield CU Passport Newsletter

The Sheffield Children's University Passport Newsletter is also available. This includes details about a range of activities & events taking place throughout Sheffield during the Christmas period and beyond. It is a great way to collect additional credits and work towards your next award. Read / download the guide [here](#). Meanwhile, there will be NO after-school clubs during the final week of term (wb 18th Dec). Keep an eye out for details of next half-term's clubs coming soon!

Food Supplement Vouchers

The Local Authority will once again be sending £30 food supplement vouchers to eligible families for the Christmas period (these should arrive with you during the wb 18th December). If you think you may qualify for Free School Meals, take a look [here](#) – successful applications made before 24/12/23 will receive a voucher during the wb 8th January.

Football coaching / camps

We have some excellent footballers at Wharnccliffe Side and I'm always happy to share information about local events / opportunities. See below for more information...

- SUFC Football Camps at Shirecliffe or Wisewood: 2nd – 5th January (click [here](#))
- Yorkshire Football Coaching at Firth Park Academy: every Wednesday (starting 10th January) – flyer sent out alongside this newsletter

Mr Gaughan

Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.



Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ **Bronze:** Maisie (Ash); Jonah, Edie, Ellessa (Oak)
- ★ **Silver:** Ari, Frankie-Lola, Kyle (Ash); Gray, Eser, Willow, Maddie P (Willow); Elliana, Enes, Aaron, Angus (Rowan); Kwontay, Orla (Sycamore)
- ★ **Gold:** Kwontay (Sycamore); Reuben, Ella (Oak)
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:** Violet & Mila
- ★ **Healthy Eating Champion:** Freddie
- ★ **Attendance winners:** Attendance was 94.2% overall last week. The winning classes were Willow (KS1) with 94.5% and Oak (KS2) with 97.8%.
- ★ **House Point winners:** Americas won for the second week in a row. Europe & Africa are now the only teams to have not won this half-term... I wonder if they can make an extra-special effort over these next 2 weeks?



This week's birthdays: Ameera (9), Holly (7), Anastasiia (4),
Tori (8), Sonia (5)

This week's 'School Standard' is:
Being supportive

What's Happening?

As well as preparing for their shows, the children are still working hard in all subjects across the curriculum...

Little Seedlings & Saplings are doing 'helicopter stories' and subitising to 3 this week.

Ash will be building dens in Forest Schools.

Willow will be using a prototype design to help them make their own felt puppets.

KS1 children in The Learning Zone are writing recounts of making salt-dough fish; while KS2 children are writing their deep sea diver stories.

Rowan are finishing their letters about their Ancient Greek day - look out for these coming home soon!

Sycamore & Oak had a skipping workshop last week with Adele from the Skipping School!

Meanwhile, KS2 pupils will be completing their end-of-term assessments this week. These are important for teachers to be able to identify gaps and plan future learning.

Finally, there are still some places at the city-wide P4C Club for Y5/6 children. It takes place on Tuesdays after Christmas at Scotia Works (Leadmill Road) and children have already been given details.



Sheffield Music Hub
learn sing play enjoy!



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