



Cumberworth's Weekly Newsletter

Friday 15th December 2023

A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

I have thoroughly enjoyed my first Christmas performance experience at Cumberworth. The children and staff have put in so much effort, especially the Year 5's with all their lines.

It was also lovely to welcome in Grandparents and members from our PCC to our dress rehearsal too, we had some lovely feedback from them!

A huge thank you to Rachael McGregor and all of Helping Hands for their efforts behind the scenes in organising the Christmas Fayre. I'm sure it is going to be a huge success and I am looking forward to seeing you all later this afternoon.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Claxton

Lights, Camel, Action! Behind the Scenes with Oscar and Eve

On Thursday I had the chance to talk to Oscar, our sassy and cynical Caesar, and Eve, one of our year 4 Inn Keepers, delving into their roles and emotions surrounding their Christmas play, "Lights, Camel, Action".

Oscar's experience was a blend of nerves and excitement, oscillating between confidence and anxiety with his mum in the audience. Impressively, he managed to combine the attitudes of Emperor Caesar with Ceasar the Craig Revel Horwood inspired judge, creating a comical and entertaining character.

Eve, one of our year four Inn Keepers, embraced the challenge of being the first in her class to speak. She tells me how the dress rehearsal unfolded seamlessly, and that she thoroughly enjoyed participating in the tango dance.

Both pupils shared their advice on conquering nerves which involved treating the performance like a standard rehearsal, imagining there is no one watching, and, crucially, mastering their lines before the big day, particularly by practicing with friends and family.

Both Oscar and Eve expressed heartfelt appreciation for Mrs. Hobson who organised the play, telling me that she made the play an incredibly enjoyable experience.

After watching the performance myself, I can safely say that all the children shone like stars and the Christmas spirit radiated brilliantly through our talented performers! Well done to everyone - Miss Auckland



A big happy birthday to William and Carys who have celebrated their birthdays this week. We hope you enjoyed your special day!

Congratulations to this week's Stars of the Week!

Panda – Alex

Koala- Olivia B

Australia – Clara

China – Heath

Whole School Attendance Figures

Our target is 97% attendance.

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| Last week | 97.96 % |
| This week | 91.55 % |



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Reminders

- Dinner Money is £2.55 per day for children in KS2 and payable through ParentPay. **Please make payment in advance and try to ensure your account remains in credit.**
- Sunshine Club – please ensure that all payments for this half term's bookings are paid in full by **the end of Friday 22nd December to continue with sessions when we return.**
- Christmas Performance DVD/Blu-ray – please make payment through ParentPay by **Monday 18th December.**
- Year 1 Multi Skills Festival – Tuesday 23rd January, please return slips by **Friday 22nd December.**

Thank you.....

Thank you to everyone who came to see the children take part in our Christmas performance, Lights, Camel, Action! All the children did really well and had a fantastic time.

Thank you also for all the donations received for our Christmas Fayre.

For anyone who bought a raffle ticket, winning raffle numbers will be posted on dojo on Monday morning for those of you that were unable to stay until the end of the Fayre. Any unclaimed raffle prizes will be able to be collected from the office.



Sleeping Beauty

We will be visiting the Theatre Royal in Wakefield on Thursday, leaving school at 9:00am. Children are welcome to bring a small (NUT FREE) snack along with them to eat in the theatre. **Children should also come to school in their uniform.**

Parent Information Session

A reminder that there will be an informal Parent Information Session on **Tuesday 19th December at 5pm.** If you would like to reserve a place, please return slips to the office by **Monday 18th December.**

Diary Dates

December

21st – Whole school Theatre visit – AM

22nd – End of Term

January

8th - School reopens

11th – Cross Country Finals

23rd – Year 1 Multi Skills @ Shelley College



Yorkshire Wildlings is pleased to bring back our holiday camps over Christmas!

Running on the 3rd January 2024 from 0900-1500

Children aged 5-12 are welcome to join us.

£17.50 per child.

Packed lunch, waterproofs and warm clothes essential.

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