



# Cumberworth's Weekly Newsletter

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023

## A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

We have made it to the end of term - well done everyone!

There's nothing left to say other than I hope you have a wonderful Christmas with your friends and family and I will see you in the New Year.

Mrs Claxton

**Goodbye** - Ms Biggs who will be leaving Cumberworth First School today, to spend more time with her family.

**Welcome** – Peter Prasadam who will be teaching Class China until March. Mr Prasadam has been a Headteacher for many years in the Midlands and recently worked in Denmark. He has a wealth of experience and we look forward to welcoming him to our team in the New Year.



A big happy birthday to Eve who has celebrated her birthday this week. We hope you enjoyed your special day!

Florence, Erin, Emma, Madeleine, Eve, Darcey, Ivy, Felix, Alexander & Poppy we hope you enjoy your birthday over the holidays. We can't wait to hear all about it when we get back to school.

### Festive Anticipation at Cumberworth

As the holidays approach, the children at Cumberworth are buzzing with excitement, eagerly anticipating all that this season of festivity brings.

From Blu tack to a Nintendo Switch, the children have told me which items they're hoping Father Christmas might bring them this year. Their wish lists range from the practical to the fantastical - including one Christmas list with a first-choice present of a Lamborghini!

I spoke to Elspeth from class Panda who tells me that this year, she is most excited about a special Christmas sleepover with Nana and Gran, adding a touch of family warmth to the festive season – Miss Auckland.

### Congratulations to this week's Stars of the Week!

Panda – Mandy

Koala- George

Australia – Mace

China – Emma

### Whole School Attendance Figures

Our target is 97% attendance.

Last week	91.55 %
This week	96 %



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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 today to continue with sessions when we return.**
- Year 1 Multi Skills Festival – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, please return slips by **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January.**
- Year 5 Music Festival – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024. If your child would like to attend, please return slips by **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January.**

## School communication

Important communication including changes to the school day or arrangements that are being made, which are not included on the newsletter dates will now be sent via messages on Class Dojo.

School will no longer be using the Teachers2Parents service. A reminder will be sent on Class Dojo messages, to let parents know if a paper letter has come home in book bags.

We would like a representative from each class who can also add any messages sent through Class Dojo to the class WhatsApp groups.

### Information posted on the whole School story will be:

- Weekly newsletter (this will also be published on the website)
- Class sharing work - Mon - Thurs
- Stars - Friday
- 1 post per week local events or information we have been asked to share
- Reminders of whole school events

### Information posted on class stories will be:

- Reminders of class events
- Individual Dojo winners - Friday
- Class news that the teacher wishes to share

Individual messages will be sent as and when needed.

Thank you

From everyone at Cumberworth Merry Christmas and we will see you all on the 8<sup>th</sup> January.



## Diary Dates

### January

- 8<sup>th</sup> - School reopens
- 11<sup>th</sup> – Cross Country Finals
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Bags2School returned
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – Year 1 Multi Skills @ Shelley College
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - 5pm Parents meeting with Mrs Claxton and Governors to update on the Cumberworth Journey 2023/24

### February

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – NSPCC Number Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> - Children's Mental Health Week
- 9<sup>th</sup> – Young Voices