

Newsletter December 2015



We have a busy three weeks ahead of us in the run up to Christmas! There are lots of lovely events for our children and also events for our families and community! We hope as many of you as possible are able to join us!



Christmas Production

Our Christmas Production 'Hey Ewe', will take place at the Breamish Hall, Powburn on Friday 11th December. Tickets are now on sale in school and will also be available on the door at the performances. This year we are doing two performances, one at 2pm to include our very youngest children in our nursery as well as our Reception to Year 4 children, and one in the evening at 6pm for our Reception to Year 4 children. Our raffle and silent auctions will be drawn after the evening performance. Refreshments will be available after both performances. Any members of the community who would rather come in the afternoon are very welcome to join us. We are asking for children to be collected from the Breamish Hall between 3 and 3.15 pm on that afternoon and also on the previous afternoon after our dress rehearsal. The evening performance with raffle and refreshments will follow at 6pm.

Pre Christmas Film night!

We have been asked by a couple of parents if we would be happy to hold an after school film night which would allow for a later pick up on that day in the busy run up to Christmas. We propose to hold the film night on Tuesday 8th December with a finish time of 5pm. Therefore if you would be interested in your child / children staying at school and taking part in our film night, can you please return the attached reply slip. Children would be welcome to bring snacks to keep them going!

Activity questionnaire

Thank you to all of you who were able to complete and return our questionnaire. From the responses we have had so far there is enough interest to support beginning after school clubs in the New Year, with parents collecting children at the end of the club. There is also a small amount of support for after school child care with Tuesday being a popular choice. We will look at the popular options for clubs and send out more information in the New Year. Please do let us know if there is something you feel would be of interest to our families, we are always looking for ways to improve and expand on what we provide for our children.

Alnwick Partnership reorganisation

Further to the information issued previously, we now know that the Cabinet meeting of Northumberland County Council will take place on Tuesday 12th January 2016 to make the final decision on whether or not to proceed with the proposed reorganisation. The period of statutory notice will end at midnight on Thursday 10th December 2015.



Christmas Party!

Our Christmas party will take place on the afternoon of <u>Tuesday 15th December</u>, after our visit to Alnwick Gardens. Could children please wear their school uniform for our visit and then bring party clothes to change into when we get back to school? Our nursery children are welcome to stay all day that day to join in the fun!

Children in Need

On Friday 13th November we held our Pudsey Picnic and raised a great £44.20 for Children in Need,.





Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Poppy Appeal this year, we raised a fantastic £42.20!

Goslings!

We have had fantastic interest in our parent, baby and toddler group this half term. Our final session will be on <u>Thursday 10th December</u>, and it will restart on <u>Thursday 7th January 2016</u>. There will be a 2s, toddlers and baby Christmas party on <u>Wednesday 16th December</u>, 1.00 to 3.00 pm for anyone who would like to join us!



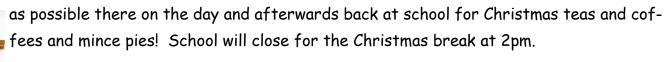
Community Day!

Thank you to all the people who came to our community tidy up day. Another hugely successful day with our wildlife area greatly improved for access and already having been used for our two Forest School days! Thank you also to our PTA for the tasty hot soup and rolls that was very welcome to all our volunteers!



Christmas Carol Service

Our Christmas Carol Service will take place on Friday 18th December at Eglingham Church at 10 am. We will transport all our children in school and nursery and hopefully see as many of you



Dates for your diary

<u>Tuesday 8th December</u> Whole school visit to the Life Centre in Newcastle to visit the Planetarium and Film Night! <u>Thursday 10th December</u> Dress rehearsal at Breamish Hall afternoon only, pick up from hall at 3.15pm please.

Friday 11th December Christmas Performances at 2pm and 6pm

<u>Tuesday 15th December</u> Visit to Alnwick Gardens a.m., Party Lunch and Christmas Party p.m.

Wednesday 16th December 2s, toddlers and baby Christmas Party, 1-3pm.

Thursday 17th December Visit to Northern Stage to see 'Up and Out Christmas Sprout' and Christmas Lunch

Friday 18th December Carol Service at Eglingham Church 10 am. School closes at 2 pm for Christmas.

Monday 4th January Teacher Training Day School Closed

Tuesday 5th January School reopens at 9 am



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from The Branton and Breamish team