



## Whittonstall and Broomley First Schools

25 November 2022



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Our overall attendance this week was

**88.2%**



### What's On in School



#### **Whole School Christmas Concert Extravaganza - Wednesday 14th December 5.30 - 6.30pm**

This year all the children will be taking part in our Christmas Extravaganza 'Broomley does Christmas'. Each class will be performing live and to the full audience. There will be elements of whole school singing, different groups performing and nods to the traditional as well as the modern, plus a few fun surprises along the way!

We have decided to put it together as a whole school event this year to make it really special and show what we can all do as a team. As our school hall is not huge, to enable us to accommodate all our parents and carers comfortably, we are going to use Prudhoe High School's hall instead. We also find the children struggle with sitting through a whole performance several times so instead we thought one big performance with plenty of notice would be best. The hall in the high school is much more like a theatre so it will really give that show feel too. We hope you will be able to come along to celebrate with us.

We will be sending out more information shortly about costumes for our Christmas Extravaganza so please keep an eye on parentmails and Marvellous Me in the coming days. We have had a couple of parents get in touch to say they have spare costumes should we need them so thank you to them - we will no doubt be in touch shortly.



#### **Christmas Movie Night - Tuesday 20th December from 3.15 - 5.00pm**

There has been a huge response to the Christmas Movie Night. We have completely filled the places and also have a long waiting list. We will get in touch with parents early next week to confirm whether your child has a place at the movie night or whether they are on the waiting list. Thank you for your patience.

Just to confirm the movie night is definitely Tuesday 20th December - apologies for the typing error on the original form.



## PTA Break the Rules Day - Friday 16th December

We are having another Break the Rules day in school, organised by our fantastic PTA. Please see the information attached for more details. The PTA will also provide a goodie bag for each child. This is a great way to raise funds for our school.



## Miners' Lamp and Mission Christmas Cash for Kids Collections

We will again be acting as a hub for any donations for both

'Mission Christmas Cash for Kids' and The Miners Lamp in Prudhoe. We can accept donations from now until Friday 16th December - which will be the final date that you can drop things into school. Mrs Swan will then arrange to drop off all the donated items.

As always we do not want anyone to feel obligated to donate as we know times are tough for many of us but any donations you are able to make will be very gratefully received.

Cash for Kids Mission Christmas are collecting new toys and books suitable for children of all ages. Please don't wrap the presents so that they can be sorted and distributed more easily.

The Miners Lamp are requesting donations that can be used to put together Christmas hampers - more information opposite.

**Show Someone Cares at Christmas**

*For many Christmas is a time of worry, anxiety, loneliness and isolation.*

*Help us show someone cares this Christmas.*

*We're launching our Christmas Hamper appeal.*

*We know times are hard for many, but every little helps. If you can donate just one item from our Christmas Hamper list, you can show someone cares this Christmas.*

*Donations can be dropped off at the Miners Lamp Community Cafe & Hub, Eastwoods Park, or at one of our dedicated food bank drop offs:*

*Aldi, Prudhoe Retail Park  
Coop Garage, Prudhoe  
The Original Factory Shop, inside the main coop  
Tyne Riverside Cafe, Prudhoe Riverside Park  
Spar Garage, Stockfield  
Central Convenience Store, Stockfield Station  
Coop Store, Wylam*

*Please ensure all items are 'in date' for Xmas 2022 or beyond. WE CAN NOT ACCEPT OUT OF DATE ITEMS*

*Know someone who might benefit from a hamper this Christmas. Watch our Facebook page for more details*

**Hamper Items:**

Christmas Pudding	Hot Chocolate
Christmas/Fruit Cake	Froy Bontos Pies
Tinned Custard	Tinned Ham
Tinned Rice Pudding	Fruit Juice
Tinned Fruit	Mince Pies
Nuts	Sponge Puddings
Chocolates	Sandwich Pastes
Tinned Salmon/Tuna	
Corned Beef	<b>Non Food Items</b>
Pickled Onions	Christmas Crackers
Pickled Beetroot	Gloves
Chutney/Pickle	Scarves
Stuffing Mix	Hats
Yorkshire Pudding Mix	Men's and Women's Socks
Trifle Mix	Toiletry Sets
Savoury Crackers	
Tinned Ham	
Gravy Granules	
Cranberry Sauce	
Mint Sauce	
Crisps/Snacks	
Jam/Marmalade	
Biscuits/Shortbread	

**MINERS LAMP CAFE**

*The Miners Lamp is operated by the Friends of Eastwoods Park a registered charity. Reg No 1181*

## **DIARY DATES**

- Tuesday 29th November Y2 parent /child crafting session - school hall 2.20 -3.10pm
- Tuesday 6th December Y1 parent /child crafting session - school hall 2.20 -3.10pm
- Tuesday 13th December Reception parent /child crafting session - school hall 2.20 -3.10pm
- Tuesday 13th December Christmas Jumper Day - raising funds for Save the Children
- Tuesday 13th December Christmas Lunch
- Wednesday 14 December M&M Productions present Cinderella - more information to follow
- Wednesday 14 December Whole School Christmas Celebration Concert 5.30-6.30pm Prudhoe High School - more information to follow soon
- Friday 16th December Y4 trip to OMS for Christmas Quiz
- Friday 16th December PTA Christmas Break the Rules Day
- Tuesday 20th December Christmas Story Telling Afternoon
- Tuesday 20th December Christmas Movie Night 3.15 - 5.00pm - Y1 - Y4 - limited places
- Wednesday 21st December Allendale Estates - Christmas Carols - children only due to space
- Thursday 22nd December Christmas Parties - party outfits can be worn
- Thursday 22nd December School Closes for Christmas Holidays
- Friday 23rd December Teacher Training Day
- Monday 9th January Teacher Training Day
- Tuesday 10th January School reopens for Spring 1
- Tuesday 24th January Vision Screening for Reception Children - more information to follow
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On behalf of staff and governors may I wish you all a lovely weekend, take care.

*Mrs Howe*

Executive Head Teacher