



Sedbergh Primary School

'Excellence in the heart of the community'



School Newsletter – Wednesday 31st October 2018

Hello all and welcome to the new half-term. I hope that you managed to find some time to enjoy the lovely autumn weather. We have a busy 8 weeks ahead, so please continue to read our notifications and website for updates and look out for notes in bags for additional events and trips. When a slip needs to be returned to school we will always send you a printed copy of the letter for you to use. If the message is just for information we will use the app and website to avoid using paper.

As promised here are the details of our school development plan for this year;

Sedbergh Primary School - SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2018/2019

Improved attainment in maths

Improved listening skills to support learning

The development of mastery approaches in the teaching of maths

Continued improvement in writing

New links with local and international schools

The Big Build - EYFS Improvements

We hope that parents and families will support us in our efforts to make improvements to our school and the learning experience of each and every child who comes here. If ever you have any suggestions as to how we can improve or if you have something to offer our school, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

EYFS Big Build Update – Our effort to raise £60,000 continues. This week we have started a virtual 'Balloon Race' and Mrs Swallow's 'ant' quiz continues – please remember entries for this need to be in by the 30th November. Thank you, once again, to everyone who has and continues to support this project.



The **PTFA** will have a **baked goods stall** at late night opening on Wednesday 5th December. We would really appreciate donations of cakes, biscuits and other items to sell on the stall. Many thanks again in anticipation of your help.

The PTFA really needs to recruit some new members. We are organising a **social event** on Thursday 22nd November at Gemma Suttle's house where interested parents can come along and find out what the PTFA is all about; we'd love to see you there. See dates below for our next **school disco**, our **PTFA committee meeting** is on the same evening. Please remember, any assistance you can offer at PTFA events is always appreciated; contact Michelle Hartley, our new PTFA Chair, to offer your help.

PTFA@sedbergh-pri.cumbria.sch.uk

Streams of Remembrance – St Andrew’s Churches; Sedbergh and

Dent - As you know, we are participating in a Poppy event hosted in Sedbergh and Dent this year to mark the centenary of the end of the First World War. Every child in school is decorating a pebble or stone with their own remembrance poppy. These will be laid in St Andrew’s Church, Sedbergh, at the end of the week and available to view from Friday onwards. The church bells, including those in Sedbergh and Dent, will also ring out on the 11th November joining the rest of the country as they did spontaneously on the 11th November 1918 at the end of the war.



BBC
Children
in Need



On Friday 16th November it is the annual Children in Need appeal. On that day, children are invited to come to school in ‘spotty’ non-school uniform. A voluntary donation of £1 is suggested to raise funds for this appeal. We would

really appreciate it if any parents or families are able to donate cakes to sell on the day.

Diary Dates

November

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| Friday 2 nd | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Sedbergh Gala Fireworks (see app notification or website)▪ ‘Streams of Remembrance’ installation at St Andrew’s Church – available to view all week until Remembrance Sunday |
| Tuesday 6 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Parents’ Evening |
| Wednesday 7 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Parents’ Evening▪ Sedbergh Orchestra event at 2pm |
| Friday 9 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Remembrance Assembly at 2.30pm |
| Thursday 15 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ NSPCC Assemblies and Workshops |
| Friday 16 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Children in Need – ‘spotty’ non-uniform and cake stall - £1 voluntary donation▪ PTFA Discos – KS1/EYFS 5.30 – 6.30pm, KS2 6.45 until 8pm - £1.50 per child▪ PTFA Meeting at 5.45pm |
| Thursday 22 nd | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ PTFA Social at Gemma’s house |
| Thursday 29 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Ash class (Year 3) Greek Day |

December

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| Wednesday 5 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Netball at Sedbergh Prep. (Casterton) |
| Thursday 6 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Year 2 Class Assembly at 10.15am▪ Peter Pan performance at the Dukes Theatre – Y2 to Y6 |
| Wednesday 12 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Elder (EYFS) Christmas Production at 10am |
| Thursday 13 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Spruce and Yew (Y1 and Y2) Christmas Production |
| Friday 14 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Christmas Enterprise Fair – 3.30 until 5.30pm |
| Wednesday 19 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ am Elder (EYFS) Christmas Party▪ pm Spruce and Yew (Y1 and Y2) Christmas Party |
| Thursday 20 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Junior Christmas Parties |
| Friday 21 st | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Carol Service with Settlebeck in St Andrew’s Church▪ Term ends for the Christmas break at 2pm |

January 2019

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| Tuesday 8 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ School reopens for the spring term 2019 |
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