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Newsletter 7

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope everyone had a lovely half term break; it's great to see the children back today all ready for lots of learning!

Fabulous fundraising

Many thanks to all who attended and donated towards the firework disco before the holidays. As well as everyone having lots of fun and impressing us with their moves (looking at you Mrs Clark!) the event raised over £250 which will be spent directly on resources for the children. Thank you for your support.



Parent Teacher consultations

There will be chance next week to meet with your child's teacher to talk about the children's work, progress or any other items you would like to discuss. Appointments can be booked online by following the link <https://masham.schoolcloud.co.uk> and entering your name and child's date of birth. Please note – the parent's name must match the information we have on your child's records, rather than abbreviations or nicknames, and the booking system will close on Monday 7th November at 4pm. If you are unable to make the appointments offered to you please get in touch with us directly and we will always try to offer an alternative date and time. We look forward to seeing you in school next week.

Christmas Bauble Competition

This week your child will be bringing home a Christmas Bauble template to decorate. This is in preparation for a larger competition where ten will be chosen from our school to be recreated onto larger wooden versions, which will decorate the Christmas tree at the York Theatre Royal and put us in with a chance at winning a special performance for all the children! Please could you encourage the children to get creative and return their designs to school with their name on the back by Monday 14th November.

Have a great week ahead

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Dates for your diary

Blue text indicates occasions where parents and carers are warmly welcomed to attend.

Friday	04.11.22	All	Laver Class Celebration Assembly @ St Mary's Church 14:45
Tuesday	08.11.22	All	Parent Teacher Consultations
Wednesday	09.11.22	All	Parent Teacher Consultations
Tuesday	15.11.22	Year 5/6	NSPCC in school
Friday	18.11.22	All	Swinney Class Celebration Assembly @ St Mary's Church 14:45
Tuesday	22.11.22	Year 6	Crucial Crew
Thursday	01.12.22	All	Pantomime at Harrogate Theatre
Friday	02.12.22	All	Burn Class Celebration Assembly. 14:45 Venue TBC
Thursday	08.12.22	All	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner Day Christmas Crafts Day (Parent Helpers warmly welcomed!)
Tuesday	13.12.22	Reception, Year 1 & Year 2	Nativity Performance – 18:00
Wednesday	14.12.22	All	Masham's Got Talent!
Friday	16.12.22	All	Carol Service
Friday	16.12.22	All	School Closes for Christmas 14:00

A Message from Mrs Clark

We have started asking questions about our new text 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Phillip Pullman and will be using our inference skills this week, learning to write in character, thinking about feelings, thoughts and motives and improving sentences using fronted adverbials. You can learn more about fronted adverbials using this link <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwwp8mn/articles/zp937p3>. In spelling, Year 4 are focussing on the im-, il-, ir- and in- suffixes. How many words do they know beginning with them? Year 5 are recapping plurals (adding -s, -es and -ies) and apostrophes. Our maths focus in Year 4 is multiplying and dividing using the 3, 6 and 9 times-tables and Year 5 are learning about factors, common factors and prime numbers. <https://timestables.co.uk/> is another useful site for practising times tables (Year 4 are making good improvements this term!).

A Message from Mr Scott

I hope everyone has had an enjoyable and relaxing half term break. This week Cover Class will be looking at their new class text, Holes by Louis Sachar and focussing on predicting and getting to know the characters and plot. In maths we'll continue with short multiplication and begin looking at the long method. In Geography we're learning about the layers of the rainforest generally, before focussing more specifically on the Amazon - here's a video that might be useful to watch at home <https://www.chesterzoo.org/schools/resources/what-are-the-layers-of-the-rainforest/> In computing we're starting a new unit on coding, as well as thinking about some safety in PHSE leading up to bonfire night.