

Slaley First School



Friday 17th November 2025



Dear Parents,

What a busy week we have had! The children have taken well to outdoor learning on a Tuesday. Please continue to ensure that the children have appropriate clothing in school so that they can be involved. Our wraparound care is now extended to a Friday and so is available from Monday to Friday 3.30pm - 5.30pm

On **Tuesday 11th November**, Radio 2's Sara Cox will be running through our area in support of BBC Children in Need. *Sara's Great Northern Marathon Challenge* is Radio 2's longest ever run and will be taking place over five consecutive days, covering 135 miles (five marathons). Sara will be starting at Kielder Forest and finishing in Pudsey, Leeds to celebrate 40 years of Pudsey Bear.

We would like to take the children to watch this special event and will be walking to the top of the village to cheer Sara on as she passes. The walk will be supervised by school staff and all safety procedures will be carefully followed. We have also been told that Pudsey Bear himself may even make an appearance!

Throughout Sara's marathon journey, she will be followed by a documentary film crew and there is a possibility that the children may appear on camera as she runs past. We therefore require your permission for your child to take part in this outing and to potentially be filmed. A letter has been sent home today Asking for permission for your child to take part in this event (or not) please could you return school by Monday. I have also attached another letter with this email.

SWIMMING IS THEREFORE CANCELLED ON TUESDAY but we have added another date onto the end of the block instead and the children will be swimming on every other Tuesday until 9th December.

Please can the children bring a small amount of loose change to donate to Children in Need (The TV crew will have collection buckets.)



You will have spotted our beautiful poppy net outside of school and this will be there until after Remembrance Day. Thank you again to the WI who came into school to help the children create it!

Praise Assembly

Our next Praise Assembly will be on **Wednesday 12th November** -
Parents of children in Early Years are welcome to join us at 2.45pm

We have no spellings for homework today as we would like the children to make some things for our visit to see Sara Cox (Please see Class Dojo).



Order a delicious Christmas Cake made by Mrs English on the following link ...

www.justgiving.com/page/nikki-english-18?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

Come along to our Wreath Making Night - Monday 1st December @7pm. Sign up on the link below ...

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CHRISTMAS
Cakes

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BY ALI AND NIKKI

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Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 11th November - Sara Cox - visit to the top of the village

Thursday 13th November - Parents' Evening - Everyone who has returned their slip should have a time, if not please let us know!

Friday 14th November - Children In Need - Wear your pyjamas for school!

Friday 5th December - Christmas Coffee morning Wednesday

10th December (AM) - Christmas Performance

Thursday 11th December (PM) - Christmas Performance

Wednesday 17th December - Christmas Jumper and lunch Day

Thursday 18th December - Christmas Fayre

Friday 19th December - Last day of school (1.30pm finish)

Have a lovely weekend everyone! 😊

Mrs Hayward