# Slaley First School





## Friday 18th October 2024

#### Dear Parents,

Only one more week to go and then another half term is over! We have had a lovely week in school and on Wednesday we thoroughly enjoyed performing our Harvest Festival to parents and carers. Thank you so much to those who were able to come along!



Thank you to those of you who brought in harvest produce! We were truly overwhelmed by the amount of wonderful donations we had. The children in Pine Class enjoyed donating the boxes to the community and we had so much that we were also able to give some to our local foodbank.

We really are so grateful!



Clubs next week will be on as normal apart from football as Friday is an Inset Day and school is closed.

#### Baby News

We have more wonderful baby news to share with you and again we are super excited! ...

Mrs Ainslie is expecting her second baby and her new little addition will be with us in February next year. We will be sharing our plans as to how we will be covering Mrs Ainslie's post in due course.

### Roof works

You may remember that some time ago we had a new roof added to our school. Unfortunately, a little while ago we were informed that we need to have some alterations done to the work that was carried out. These alterations are planned for October Half Term and so we will be having scaffolding erected around the school at the end of this week. We are hoping the work will be confined just to the half term holiday but we have been told that there is a chance it may continue one week beyond this.

I will keep you informed as to the impact this may or may not have to access arrangements at the front of the school just before we return if the works are still ongoing.

#### **FOSS UPDATE**



Hi everybody,

This half term is flying by and we're starting to get our thinking caps on re fundraising ideas for this school year. The work of FOSS is crucial to raise important funds to supplement and support the wonderful school experience the children of Slaley receive. We're keen to get a few extra people on board, so if you can offer a helping hand please get in touch with me or send an e-mail through to <a href="mailto:friendsofslaleyschool@gmail.com">friendsofslaleyschool@gmail.com</a>.

One really easy way to support is through Easy Fundraising

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/slaley-first-school.

The process only takes a few minutes and by registering, funds are donated as part of your daily online shopping.

Thanks again for all of your continued support. Holly and the FOSS team

Do you think you could be a Governor at our school?

Please ring 01434 673220 or email <a href="mailto:admin@slaley.northumberland.sch.uk">admin@slaley.northumberland.sch.uk</a> if you would like to find out more about the role and what it entails!

## Christmas

Christmas Performances (More Information to follow after half term.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – 9.20am

Thursday 12th December - 1.30pm

Other Events

Friday 29th November - 6pm-9pm - Christmas Shopping Night

Wednesday 4th December (Time to be confirmed) - Wreath making in school

Friday 6th December - Christmas Coffee morning

Wednesday 11th December 7pm-9pm - Cake Decorating Night

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas lunch and Carols by Candelight on the evening (Time TBA)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December (PM) – Whole school trip to the Queen's Hall Art's Centre to see 'Jack and the Beanstalk.'

## Dates for the Diary

Monday 21st October (PM) – Mrs Hunter to visit EY children to talk about the importance of going to the dentist.

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October (AM) – Influenza vaccinations

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Halloween Buffet (lunchtime) Halloween Party – 5.30pm–7pm (details on letter sent out previously)

Friday 25th October INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED - SCHOOL RETURNS MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2024

14<sup>th</sup> November – 3.30pm –.4.15pm – Parents' Maths Evening

21st November - Parents' Evening (more details to follow after half term)

