

ESKDALE ACADEMY NEWS



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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Eskdale Academy would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Have a lovely holiday and we look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 8th January

Eskdale Spelling Bee



This week, Eskdale Academy held its first ever Spelling Bee with pupils from across the school competing against each other. Finalists were Sonny Sanders, Jaxon Crannage, Navjoht Samra, Cara Ramsay, Steven Hendry and Rubi Gray. After an intense competition, Cara, Jaxon and Steven were declared winners. Well done to everyone who took part!

Key Stage 1 Visit Rossmere Forest School







The children in KS1 visited Rossmere Forest School to visit Santa! Lots of fun was had and they searched for missing sleigh bells in the forest, sang Christmas songs and had hot chocolate and apple pies around the fire.

School Absence Protocol



Parents are reminded that if their child is absent, for any reason, they must notify the school. You can call the school on (01429) 272255 and **press 1** to report them absent.

Choir Visit Rossmere Park Care Home





Eskdale choir sang for the residents at Rossmere Park Care home last Friday. There were children from Y5 and 6 involved. They sang beautifully and were a credit to the school.

Basketball Cluster Competition



On Monday 11th December the basketball team went to Manor Community Academy and took part in the cluster competition. They played 7 games: won 6 and drew 1, finishing on 19 points.

They won the competition 5 points clear (1^{st} place) and qualified for the Town competition on Monday 15th January.

Middlesbrough & Teesside Philanthropic Foundation Award



Pupils went to pick up our cheque after Eskdale Academy won a £750 charity award to help towards the funding of specialist sports coaches to give disadvantaged children a higher quality experience in PE. Well done!

New Uniform Supplier



You can now order your child's uniform from Tesco Direct. We have a link on our school website, or type the link below into your internet browser.

https://www.tesco.com/direct/eskdale-academy/23481.school?source=others

ATTENDANCE!!!



The school attendance for last week (week ending 15th December) was 94.8% This is 1.3% BELOW the national expected target of 96.1%

Key Stage winners last week were KS1 - Year 1 with 95.5% and KS2 winners were Year 5 with 99.6%

EY + KS1	K52		
Rec	96.8%	У3	96.8%
У1	95.5%	У4	91.7%
У2	89.2%	У5	99.6%
		У6	93.6%

Christmas Performances



DVD's of the performances will be available from the school office after the holidays. Please understand that it takes a long time to get the video together and onto a DVD so we thank you for your patience.

Gold Behaviour



This week's winning class is Year 1 with 52.4% Golden Children.

Gold Winners			
Nursery	26.7%	У3	24.0%
Reception	18.5%	У4	0%
У1	52.4%	Y5	25.0%
У2	37.5%	У6	39.1%
S&L	40.0%		

Golden Book Award



Kate Hardy - for amazing creative writing

Birthday Wishes

Special Eskdale Birthday wishes to all of those children celebrating their birthdays this week! (& over the holiday break).



Stevie Mincher
Calem Bown
Katie Christie
Brooke Williams
Sophie Auton
Zein Mattar
Weesam Mattar
Hazem Matar
Charlotte McPartlin
Sonny Armstrong
Dakota Hornsey
Mia Palmer
Charlie Fawcett

Hip Hip, Hooray!

Dates for your diary

Some dates may be subject to change so please keep an eye on all newsletters and school correspondence.

EVENTS

21st December - Christmas Jumper Day 21st December - Christmas Parties

YEAR 1

21st December - All of KS1 to Rossmere Forest School to visit Santa.

YEAR 2

21st December - All of KS1 to Rossmere Forest School to visit Santa. 29th March - Y2 to Rossmere for Easter Egg Hunt

YEAR 3

29th January - Trip to Tesco



YEAR 6

February 8th Beamish (History)

PE EVENTS & COMPETTITIONS

4th June Cluster Athletics 10-2

18th June Y5 Cluster Kwick- Cricket 9.30-2.30

15th January Town Basketball Competition at Brinkburn College 22nd January Cluster Cross County Y3 and 4 1-3 29th January Cluster Cross Country Y5 and 6 1-3 5th February Y2 Multi Skills 12-2 1st March Girls Football 12-3 5th March Cluster Netball 1-3.30 9th April Y5 Cricket 10th April Y6 Cricket 21st May Cluster Quad Kids Y3 and 4 pm