



DEAN GIBSON  
RC Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

## Friday 3 November

### 2023



Welcome back to what promises to be an action-packed second half of autumn term. I hope you all had a refreshing break. All our children are super excited for the busy term ahead! It was good to welcome Graeme Blair in from CAM coaching yesterday. He will be leading some fun PE sessions with our Robins and Sparrows classes over the next few weeks.

### **CHRISTMAS NATIVITY PERFORMANCES**

#### **KEY STAGE 1**

This year our Nursery children will join Key Stage 1 in our Christmas show. More details to follow.

Y3 children in Finches class will join Key Stage 2 Christmas production. Y2 children in Finches will join in with the Key Stage 1 production.

#### **BETHLEHEM – THE MUSICAL (KEY STAGE 2)**

Plans are afoot to have a whole key stage 2 nativity performance this year. It may be a tight squeeze in the hall so we might put on an extra performance to those already planned. (Watch this space).

We will be holding some singing auditions soon for Year 6 as there will be some solos and we know there is loads of singing and acting talent out there!

### **YEAR 5 RESIDENTIAL**

There will be a meeting for parents about next year's Liverpool trip at 15.30 on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

### **LITTLE WANDLE PARENT INFORMATION SESSION - MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

Come and learn more about our new phonics scheme, Little Wandle. We are offering a parent information session in school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November from 3.30pm, childcare will be provided. Please book onto this session by emailing the office [admin@deangibson.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:admin@deangibson.cumbria.sch.uk)

### **'KENDAL FOR SCHOOLS' MOUNTAIN FILM FESTIVAL.**

Kingfishers Class will be attending a brilliant two-hour session involving adventure films, inspiring talks and the sharing of plenty of educational knowledge. Its aim is to inspire all children to adventure and enjoy the outdoors! The Kingfishers are very much looking forward to this. This event will be at the Leisure Centre on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November between 12:30pm and 2:30pm.

*Guided by the Holy Spirit, we listen, learn and care.*

### **OUTDOOR WEAR**

Please can we request that your child brings a coat to school. The weather is very unpredictable and it is getting cooler. We like everyone to get out into the fresh air throughout the day, therefore appropriate outdoor clothing is necessary.

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

This will be held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November each afternoon at 3.30pm in the School Hall.

There will be a parents shopping event from 2.45pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November, where you can shop without little eyes spying!

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## PTFA NEWS

Don't forget to give our great Dean Gibson PTFA a 'follow' on Facebook to keep up to date with what they are up to! You can also support them by downloading the easyfundraising app. (See picture) .

## BAGS2SCHOOL THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

Having a clear out? Bring your bags to school to support our Year 6 fundraiser. The more we weigh the more money they pay!

Collection bags will be sent home after half term but all types of bags are accepted.

## ANY CONCERNS

Don't forget our teachers and Mrs Tansey are always available for a quick word in the mornings on the yard, or by appointment, if there is an issue you would like to discuss. Quicker than an email, and we would much rather see you in person if it's possible!

## TENTEN PARENT LINK

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

## MARY'S MEALS COFFEE MORNING

It is great to share with you that this parish event raised £260! All monies will go to the Mary's Meals charity.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Monday 6th November**  
PTFA meeting at 6pm in the Qube

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**  
Mufti day for donations for Christmas hampers

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas disco

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas fair in school

Week ending	Finches (Y3 pupils)	Swifts (Year 4)	Kingfishers (Y5)	Eagles (Y6)
Caring	Corey	Ivy	Stanley	Archie
Curious	Joey	Dominic	Tobiasz	Alexis
Resilient	Milo	Isaac S	Henry	Ben
Good Values		Lyra	Archie	Alfie

Week ending	Nursery	Robins (Reception)	Sparrows (Y1)	Finches (Y2)
Star of the Week	Theo P	Grace	Edward	Lyra
Best Worker		Isabelle	Jack	Matilda

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