

Newsletter

December 2018



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Dear Parents and Community

As we approach December, events are gathering pace and I hope you will all join us in the many festivities planned this next month!

Thank you to everyone for their patience as we cope with the extra challenge of the road diversion, I will try to keep you well informed of any changes that this extra challenge poses for us throughout December.

School Drop Off - 8:45-8:55 - School is open from 8:45-8:55 daily for dropping off the children. This is the time to catch teachers with any urgent messages. 8:55-9:00 is time for teachers to settle the children into class ready to begin their learning on time. There should be no disruption to class after 9:00. Anyone arriving or remaining in school after 9:00 should be aware that learning has begun and teachers are unavailable to speak with parents. Any urgent messages can be left at the office or appointments can be made to speak with staff at the end of the school day.

School Photographs - Please can we have all orders in by Friday this week so that we can get them sent off and back in time for Christmas.

Christmas Lunch - Wednesday, 5th December - A separate letter has been sent out regarding this year's Christmas Lunch. If you haven't got your copy please check your child's bag, as replies are needed by Thursday 29th November.

Pantomime at the Sands Centre - Monday 17th December - The PTA have very kindly once again bought tickets for the whole school to attend the pantomime, The Wizard of Oz, at the Sands Centre, Carlisle. This includes the Nursery children, however, if your nursery child would like to attend we ask that a parent accompanies them due to their age (includes 'free' adult ticket).

As this is a whole school trip, there will be staff and parent helpers accompanying the children. All parent helpers (except Nursery) will support all of the school with this trip, and not their own children. Transport is being arranged by the school and we would ask for a contribution of £5 per child towards this. Please complete the slip attached and return to school with payment.

Christmas Play - Wednesday, 19th December 2pm & 6:30pm - There will be an afternoon and evening performance of our Christmas Play on this date, not the 12th as originally advertised. Tickets: We are having two performances again this year. No tickets necessary for the afternoon performance. We anticipate a larger audience for the evening show. We therefore are allocating tickets which will follow soon. Should you require more, there may be spares available from Mrs Vevers in the School Office.

At the evening performance we will be holding a raffle and would like to ask for donations for this please.

Nut Free School - as allergies and the severity of reactions are on the increase, we would like to ask everyone to help us become a nut free school by not including nut products in snacks or packed lunches.

"This is a good school ... Activities capture pupils' interests and inspire confidence and enjoyment ...

Excellent relationships between adults and pupils create a positive climate where pupils want to learn and do well." Ofsted 2015



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Packed Lunches - Please ensure that healthy, filling, low sugar, slow-release energy foods are included in packed lunches to sustain children's attention and afternoon learning. High sugar and other products like chocolate bars and crisps do not provide this.

Children in Need - Thank you to everyone who supported our fundraising on CiN day. We raised a fantastic £104.80 for this worthy cause.

The Giving Machine www.thegivingmachine.co.uk - Shankhill continues to be registered with 'The Giving Machine'



which helps to raise money for school every time you shop online through their website with one of the 2000+ registered stores e.g. Amazon, Next, M&S etc. It costs you nothing - the retailer donates to school. All you need to do is register online using **sign up code: 59055** and remember every time you shop online to go through The Giving Machine rather than direct to the retailer's website.

Calendar of Events - see overleaf

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NB: Whole School includes Nursery

Date	Time	Event	Who is involved?
December Dates - Further details available on our website: www.shankhill.cumbria.sch.uk			
Mon 3 rd Dec	PM	Christmas Art Afternoon	Whole School
Tue 4 th Dec	9:30	School Nurse – Annual height/weight checks	Rec & Year 6
Wed 5 th Dec	12 noon	Christmas Lunch – Year 6 and Nursery parents are invited (due to large numbers) (NO TODDLER GROUP)	Whole School
Mon 17 th Dec	9am	Pantomime @ The Sands Centre	Whole School
Wed 19 th Dec	2pm & 6:30pm	Christmas Play (No TODDLER GROUP)	Whole School
Thu 20 th Dec	PM	Christmas Party	Whole School
Fri 21 st Dec	1:30pm	End of Term Christmas Church Service @ St. Mary's, Stapleton	Whole School
Tue 8 th Jan	8:45am	School re-opens for SPRING TERM 2019	

To: Shankhill CofE School Office

Pantomime Trip - Monday 17th December 2018

Pupil Name: _____

I enclose a contribution of £5.00 cash/cheque/BACS towards the cost of the panto visit.

Signed _____

Nursery child: _____ will be attending and will be accompanied by:

_____ (name).