



Newsletter - Monday 25th November 2019

# Aycliffe Village Primary School



Dear Parents/Carers

A reminder that our Christmas Fair takes place this Thursday from 3.30 till 5.30pm. We really hope you can join us for this to support PTA fundraising efforts for our school. Thank you to members of the PTA who have put a lot of work into arranging the fair. Thank you also to staff and children who are busy making Christmas gifts to be sold at the fair.



Best wishes  
Mrs Brown  
Deputy Head Teacher

## Reminder—Bags to School PTA Fundraiser

A reminder that filled bags should be returned on **Friday 29th November** (no earlier please as we don't have anywhere to store them in school). The heavier the weight of the bags collected, the more money is raised for our school—we will be very grateful for your support with this.

## Reminder—Mufti day on Wednesday 27th November

A reminder that children are invited to wear non-uniform on Wednesday this week in turn for a donation of a 'mufti cracker' for our Christmas Fair. Please use a cardboard tube (something like a kitchen roll is perfect) and pop inside wrapped sweets or a pocket money toy around the value of 50p to £1. Then wrap the tube in wrapping paper or decorated paper in the style of a Christmas cracker. The crackers will be sold at the fair to raise money for the PTA. For families with siblings in school, one contribution per household is fine.

## Celebration Assembly Awards

Well done to the children below who were chosen during Celebration Assembly last week!



<b>Outstanding Learner</b>	Laila T, Eloise
<b>Wow Writer</b>	Mila, Sam M, Ashton A
<b>Maths Wizard</b>	Ellie H, Kayden, Cole
<b>Values</b>	Ellie W,
<b>Reading Rock Star (new award!)</b>	Aidan H,
<b>Curriculum Award (new award!)</b>	Pyper, Susie
<b>Head Teacher Award</b>	Daisy D
<b>Golden Broom</b>	Hawthorn and Sycamore Class

**Well done to cyclists in Rowan and Hawthorn who completed their Bikeability training—certificates and badges will be given out next week.**

## Parent Pay Payments

Mrs Swainston would like to remind parents of packed lunch pupils who have chosen to have a Christmas lunch that they need to make their payment through Parent Pay as soon as possible.

## Wednesday 27th November—Horse Chestnut Class—Martial Arts Festival

On Wednesday morning Horse Chestnut class are going to a martial arts festival at Spennymoor Leisure Centre. Here they will have the opportunity to try some new sports. Please ensure that your child has a PE kit and trainers at school for this. Girls who wear tights for school might like to bring socks to wear with their trainers. A water bottle will be needed. The children will be back at school in time for lunch.

## Thursday 28th November - Year 5 to attend Norman Cornish Workshop

Year 5 from both Rowan and Hawthorn classes will be visiting Greenfield Art Gallery and studio to find out about the work of Norman Cornish—a miner who became a celebrated artist. After seeing the paintings the children will have the opportunity to create some artwork of their own.

## School Meal Choices

Jos in the kitchen has become aware that a number of children are not keen on their current meal choices. If your child doesn't like a particular choice of meal a menu can be collected from the office and new choices made from the existing menu. If changes are made before 29th November these changes could come into effect in January.



## Sickness Bugs

**As you may have seen in the press, a number of schools are having to close because of major outbreaks of sickness. To avoid the spread of bugs around school can we please remind you that children must have been clear of sickness for 48 hours before returning to school. Thank you for your co-operation with this.**



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