



## DECEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

Dear Families,

I am writing this letter to you from home after returning from hospital. I am on rest and recuperation by doctors' orders for two weeks whilst the bone starts to knit together and then the physio begins.

From all the twitter feeds, chatting to my staff and Governors I know that school is running extremely well and the children are having a fabulous time and working hard. I feel very blessed to be the head of a caring, hardworking and supportive school.

Thank you.

Mrs Magiera

### Anti Bullying

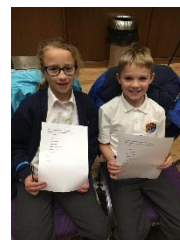


Our anti-bullying week was a huge success and we managed to get our arms to wrap all around the school. However it doesn't just stop at the end of this week. Bullying is not accepted in our school and to help us further in our mission to eradicate it and give our children the skills to challenge it not only in school but in their everyday life we have our Anti Bullying Ambassadors who are working with the Diana Award to support the children in developing these skills.

Mrs Westron and I will be holding drop in Afternoon Teas for the children each half term to allow them to pop in and chat about concerns or worries. The children can chat about these worries or concerns at any time to any member of staff but this allows them an additional opportunity to do that if needed. To know they are listened to, but more importantly for them to know that something is going to be done is very important to the children and the staff. The children need to trust that they are going to be taken seriously and that their concerns are important no matter how small.

### Northwich Young People's Parliament

The Head Teachers in Northwich have come together to create a Young Northwich Parliament. This Parliament consists of two members from each school and their aim is to get their voice heard at the Town Council for the young people in Northwich and make a difference in their own community by making small changes at first but then possibly some big ideas may take place over time...watch this space.



They had their first meeting last week and Brya Rae Landon and Dan Cannon are representing our school. With the support of Miss Graham, Dan and Brya Rae will be leading a worship in school to inform the whole school about this Parliament and they will ask the children for their ideas so that everyone's voice is heard.

At the next meeting in January each school has to take 3 ideas which will make a difference to the lives of the people in Northwich....let's get our thinking hats on! This is an opportunity for us to make a difference so let's grab it with both hands.

### Christmas Activities





It is getting to that wonderful magical season....Christmas....ssshhh, we can't say that word until December. We have lots going on as you know we always do and although it is a very busy time it is a most enjoyable time and it is important that the children have everything they need for each day. From Christmas jumper day to visiting the salt museum, the nativity play, Christingle, bringing in bottles for the tombola.....and the list goes on! I do hope to be at the nativity and the Christingle to enjoy this magical time with the children.



There is a list of all the events attached to this letter but please update your home calendar with the website regularly, check twitter and watch for the odd reminder flyers and test messages!

### Food in school – keeping you informed



We have currently been looking at alternative caterers to provide the food and manage the kitchen in our school. Our current provider has let us down many times and more often than not Pauline has to change the menu last minute which is disappointing for our children. We currently have three quotes from recommended companies who currently provide for other schools in our area. Our next step is for myself, Pauline and some children to taste the food and then make an informed choice to move forward with. Once this choice has been made our current staff will move over smoothly to the new company and the new menus. Nothing will change for you, our parents, except more and more children wanting school lunches! When our new company starts I will let you know and you will be invited for school lunch so you are able to taste our new menu offer with your children.

### Snow and Ice

Our snow and ice letter will be out this week, please ensure you read it so that you are aware of our protocol if we need to close the school or if we decided to close certain gates to school for safety purposes. Please remember you have your own responsibilities for you and your children to stay safe during the snow and ice we can only take precautions to allow access to school. During this time it is important that we work together to limit the closure of school. Sensible footwear is important, **wellingtons and UGG boots are NOT allowed in school**. Children can wear black leather boots and can change wellingtons and UGG Boots in to their school shoes on arrival in to school. Please read this letter carefully and keep your eye on the website and twitter if the weather reports are threatening ice and snow. Our snow and ice risk assessment is also on the website for you to look at.

As the school days get darker earlier, please also be aware of the need for your child to be more visible than usual, try to wear something that has a reflective panel on it, if your child comes on their bike make sure they have a cycle helmet and lights, and when walking home that they hold your hands.



Here's to a wonderful end to our first term, I do hope that our Reception children are not too tired by the end of it. Thank you for all your kind get well wishes and just to reiterate what I said at the beginning of this letter...I do feel extremely blessed to be part of our special church school community. The school is in very safe hands with Mrs Parr, please remember to pop in and see her if you have any concerns during my absence and she will endeavour to listen and sort them out.

Kindest regards, Kathryn Magiera





**DIARY DATES FOR DECEMBER 2016**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Whole School Assembly to meet Pete Mitchell, Para Olympian, Rio 2016
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Choir to sing at Northwich Library
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Christmas Fayre, 3.30pm – 5.30pm
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Lord Mayor of Northwich to join us as a Delightful Diner
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Collective Worship at St Helens, all welcome from 9.05am
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	EYS & KS1 nativity dress rehearsal, AM & PM
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	EYS & KS1 nativity, 9.30am EYS & KS1 nativity, 1.45pm
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Y2 to visit Salt Museum for a Victorian Workhouse Christmas
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Choir to sing at Daneside Court, PM
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle Service at St Helens, PM
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day - £1 donation for Save the Children Y1 to visit Salt Museum for a Victorian Workhouse Christmas
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Christmas trip to Delamere Whole School visit to Panto – Jack & The Beanstalk, PM
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Whole School Christmas Lunch Choir to sing at Christmas Service at St Johns Church, Hartford, PM
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Last day of term – finish at 1.30pm

