



Micklefield C.E. (C) Primary... 'a GOOD school', Ofsted 2013

# Newsletter



**Autumn themes: Getting on and falling out; Faith (Trust)**

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Proverbs 3 v5*

27<sup>th</sup> November 2015

## **Christmas is coming!**

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November is the first Sunday in Advent, Father David will be lighting the first advent candle in St. Mary's Church and in Tuesday's Christmas tree assembly, we will be lighting the first candle of our Advent Ring as well as decorating our tree. The stage went up this week and the younger children are already practising their Christmas plays. We can't wait to see this year's collection of animals, angels, shepherds, wise men and ...who knows what else will make an appearance?!

## **Themes and values**

Our SEAL theme this half-term is **getting on and falling out**. Our targets at school and at home are to:

- Work well with others
- Know how to be a really good friend
- Stop our angry feelings getting the better of us
- Sort things out with a friend

## **Bullying**

November is also the month which has a national anti-bullying focus. The above themes have been especially relevant this year with our reflections on Syria and Paris as well as in our times of remembrance for those hurt or killed in the World Wars and in active service around the world.

**Cyber bullying:** Be especially vigilant when your children are on their computer and phone. Playing games with unknown people could put them at risk. Sexting is becoming an increasing threat, even for the youngest children and can lead to bullying, self-harm, grooming, CSE or radicalisation. **Please ask us if you would like information and also visit the CEOP website for information, help and advice – it really is worth taking the time to protect those you love.**

## **Caring for others**

Your generosity has been in evidence again this half term, with £161 donated to a Micklefield total of £626 for the British Legion poppy collections. The silver snake for Syria raised £37.55 and our Children in Need day collection totalled £124.19 (a BIG thank you for your cakes and buns and to FOM for organising the bun sale). Altogether, you have given **£386.24** this term and we still have the Christingle boxes to come!

## **School governors**

We have welcomed two new governors on to the Governing Body this term, Mr. Mark Lines and Mr. Nick Royle. They have joined Mrs. Angela Webster, Mr. Paul Wrigley and Mr. Tom Johnston as governors who are also parents. Mr. Gary Craven and Ms. Jayne Hartley were re-elected as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively. Our governors are increasingly active in the life of the school, doing a great job to support us in going from strength to strength. They are looking for ways to increase their presence in and around school as a result of their questionnaire responses and their discussions with parents on Parents' Evenings.

**Don't forget, if you can't speak with us in the playground and you wish to complain, compliment or suggest ideas for change or improvement, you can email us at any time on:**

**[office@micklefieldceprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:office@micklefieldceprimaryschool.co.uk)**



Family Unit children exploring learning opportunities indoors and outside



Class 2 in the forest: budding bankers: balancing buddies and bakers of buns



Class 3 working hard in DT; music; computer research and Language and Literacy time.



Class 4's role play; Language and Literacy time; trying out woodwind instruments and exploring mountains in geography

### Dates for your diary:

#### December

- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Celebration 2pm
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup>:** Christmas mini-fair after school
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup>:** Family Unit performance 1.30pm
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>:** Family Unit performance 9.30am
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>:** Class 2 performance 1.30
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>:** Christingle Carol Service at St. Mary's Church 9.30
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup>:** Child of achievement assembly in school 9am

**MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY NEW TERM STARTS**

#### January

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>** Epiphany Service 9.30 St. Mary's

#### February

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>** St. Valentine's Service with Child of Achievement Awards

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup>** Half term

#### March

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>** Mother's Day Service

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup>** Bewerley Park residential

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup>** Holy Week begins (RE themed week).

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>** Easter Parade and Service with Child of Achievement Awards

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> and Monday 28<sup>th</sup>** Easter Bank Holidays

#### April

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup>** End of term