

## Longhoughton C of E Primary School December 2019 Newsletter

Wow - who can believe that we have 1 week left until the end of term.



Thank you to all at RAF Boulmer for hosting the party once again. Thank you also for your BBC Children in Need donations, we raised £129.16 and your Self Help Africa donations, we raised £73.24.

We are very sad to say goodbye to Mrs Allen and Mrs Krzysiak and we thank them for all of their hard work, they will be missed by us all. We wish a warm welcome to Miss Dodds and Mrs Hull who are joining the school staff.

#### **Christmas Cards**

The school Christmas post box is available. We know that the children enjoy sending Christmas cards to their friends and we do not want to stifle this enjoyment. However, as we are a biodiversity school that thinks about our effects on the planet, we would like to encourage the children to maybe send cards to their close friends and a card to the class.



### **#DITTO - FREE ONLINE SAFETY MAGAZINE (Alan Mackenzie)**

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## Week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> December

No clubs this week

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December** Christmas Play - afternoon performance, 2:00pm **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** Christmas Play – morning performance, 9:30am evening performance, 6:00pm **SOLD OUT** If you haven't requested your tickets yet please make sure you do as they are selling fast.

## Wednesday evening performance 6:00pm

Please bring your child to school between 5:30pm – 5:45pm to get changed for the final performance, do **not** arrive before 5:30pm. If you do not have tickets for the performance please return to collect your child at about 6:45pm. Please wait in the ICT area so as not to block the main entrance and hall exit.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December - France Class Stay & Play 9:15am - 11:15am.

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December -** in the afternoon the children will be going to church for our Christingle Service. Unfortunately due to school numbers and the size of the church, this is a school only event. Once again we will be sending 'The Children's Society Christingle' collection boxes home (1 per family). Some of these will already be assembled as Mrs Bishopp has recycled them from last year to save plastic waste. Please can these be returned by Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December so that we can take them to church to give as a collection gift. The children could be encouraged to put some of their pocket money into the collection box so that they can give to children less fortunate than themselves at Christmas time.



# Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December - Dress Down Friday for The Alnwick District Food Bank and Toy Day

As it is the end of another half term the children will be able to wear their own clothes to school (they might want to wear something Christmassy this time) in exchange for bringing something for The Alnwick Food Bank – items will be collected from school mid-morning to be taken for the Food Bank ready for the New Year.

The children are able to bring a toy on the last day. Please do not send anything electrical, noisy or with small parts. We have found that board games are good so that children can share and spend time playing together. The children will be responsible for whatever they bring in.



If you need a little bit of peace and quiet over the Christmas fortnight, the children could continue to practise Rock Star Times Tables – Year 2 Botswana children now have their logins. If you are experiencing any trouble logging in then please ask Mrs Fisher or Mrs Critchlow before Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – School closes, 3:15pm. Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 – School re-opens

The staff and Governors wish you all a Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year

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