



# *Roseberry* Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

December 2016



## CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Once again, our pupils did us proud with two fabulous Christmas productions. Our youngest children delivered two performances of their nativity, The Sleepy Shepherd, for their parents and relatives, while Junior pupils entertained us with their production – ‘Cinderella Rockerfella’. Everyone agreed our children put on a fantastic show.

Once again, Year 6 pupils entertained the local Friday Club by singing a range of songs and carols at their Christmas lunch. This was much appreciated by local residents.

The pantomime ‘Sleeping Beauty’ at the Empire Theatre, Consett was a real treat for the children last week. It was the first time many of our pupils had attended a pantomime at the theatre and the visit was very successful. The tickets were all paid for through Miss Dodds’ cake sales last year. I would like to thank her again for all her hard work and buying the ingredients out of her own money. I’m sure you appreciate all her hard work too!

I would like to thank everyone for the donations received for the Christmas Market. We managed to raise £630 from the raffle. This year, Miss Sams co-ordinated our market and gave up lots of her free time to ensure it was successful. I’m sure you will agree that everyone had a good time and she should be congratulated on her superb efforts. The total sum raised was almost £2000 which means we will be able to buy lots of new resources for our pupils. Well done to Miss Sams. Thank you too, to all the parents and volunteers who helped to sell raffle tickets and offered support at the market itself.

## ATTENDANCE

Just a reminder that due to new government regulations, any pupil with an attendance rate of below 90%, is considered to be a persistent absentee. Holidays in term time cannot be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances and written evidence needs to be handed into school to even be considered. Next term, we will be continuing our prize draw for pupils with 100% attendance; prizes have been donated by our regular supply agency – Teaching Personnel. Any pupils attending medical appointments for a known condition will not be penalised, as long as we see proof of the appointment.

## PARENTS' EVENINGS

The autumn term's parents' evenings were very well attended:

Ladybirds Nursery	100%
Robins Nursery	100%
Reception	97%
Year 1	88%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	85%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	95%

If you missed the chance to meet with your child's class teacher, please contact them as they will be happy to see you when you are available.

**Your child will be bringing home a gift selection box, very kindly donated by FD Motors.**



*Harry & Phoebe get dressed up when RNLi visit*



*Waiting for the pantomime to start*



*The cast of Cinderella Rockerfella*

## **DIARY DATES**

**School closes on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December for the Christmas holiday and reopens on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017.**

**INSET DAY Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January – school closed to pupils.**

**The staff and pupils would like to wish you all  
a very merry Christmas and a Happy New  
Year!**

