



Staveley and Kirk Hammerton CE Primary Schools - Newsletter 18th November 2016

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to the fortnightly newsletter! Please see the information below relating to news and events in the schools.

Dates and Reminders:

Travelling Book Fair at Staveley – **Tuesday 22nd – Friday 25th November**. The book fair will be in the school hall and open for all parents, carers and children for 20 minutes after school every day.

Class 3 (Staveley) trip to Eden Camp – **Wednesday 23rd November**

Class 4 (Staveley) class assembly – **Wednesday 23rd November at 2.50 p.m.**

Open morning at Kirk for prospective parents – Thursday 24th November, 9.30 – 11.30 a.m.

Open morning at Staveley for prospective parents – **Friday 25th November, 9.30 – 11.30 a.m.**



Carols around the Tree at Kirk – Friday 2nd December, 2.45 pm.

Nativity for children in Class 1 and 2 at Kirk Hammerton – Thursday 8th December, 2.30 p.m. or 6.15 p.m.

Nativity for children in **Class 1 and 2 at Staveley – Friday 9th December, 2.00 p.m. or 5.00 p.m.**

Christmas lunch for children at Kirk Hammerton – Tuesday 13th December

Pantomime for children in both schools (classes 2, 3 and 4) – Wednesday 14th December

Christmas lunch at Staveley – **Thursday 15th December**

Carols around the tree at Staveley – **Thursday 15th December, 3.00 p.m.**

Christmas parties at both schools – **Friday 16th December**

School finishes for the Christmas holidays – **Friday 16th December**

Tuesday 3rd January – INSET day for staff only.

Wednesday, 4th January – school begins for the children at both schools.

Federation and Governor update

The new governing body has the following membership:

Leanne Eaton – Chair

Mark Holt – Vice Chair

Reverend Paul Spurgeon – Foundation governor

Joanne Lamb – Foundation governor

Stuart Gentle – Co-opted governor

Brogan Fraser – Staff governor

Executive Head Teacher: Liz Mellor

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The governing body has vacancies for 3 co-opted governors. The governing body are currently completing a skills audit in order to establish the skills, experience and knowledge of current governors. This information will be used to establish needs and co-opted governors will be sought to fulfil those needs. A message from Leanne Eaton will be coming out in the next newsletter.

School Council

Please see the messages below from the older pupils in the school councils.

Staveley

About two weeks ago a few students were elected to have the privileged job of looking after the school in the school council. We have selected our own badges with the help of Mrs Roberts. The badges we have chosen were black and gold, a mature colour to show our responsibility through school. Next week we will have our first meeting. There is also an open morning which we will be involved in.

Kind regards,

The School Councillors

Reuben Bradley, Evie Brophy, Joe Tennant and Maxine Wray (on behalf of the School Council Team)

Kirk Hammerton

We are very proud to have been elected as School Council members and to represent the opinions of all the pupils at school. We have chosen red badges and look forward to wearing them from next week. We are extremely excited about having our first meeting and we have already started asking our friends what they would like to do to change and improve the school.

The School Councillors

Henry Bennett, Ava Davis Blackburn, Livia Sarkar-Lee, Jack Parnaby, Seb Watkins-Wright, Archie Whitemore

Children's News

Achievements

Star of the Week and Effort Shields



Kirk Hammerton Stars of the Week

Class 1 Luca Poran
Class 2 Ava Davis-Blackburn
Class 3 Daniel Rushton and
Elsie Wilson

Staveley Stars of the Week

Class 1 Amalie Summersgill
Class 2 Jack Curnow
Class 3 Eleanor Gibson and Ben Denton
Class 4 Finlay Doswell

Effort Shield

Kirk Hammerton Effort Shield

Charlotte Burnett-Fisher

Staveley Effort Shield

Whole School for Children in Need



Children in Need Day – Friday 18th November

Thank you to all parent, carers and children for supporting the Children in Need day. Children have come to school dressed in spotty clothes and brought in cakes and buns to sell. Fun was had by all!! We raised a fantastic **£212.16**. WELL DONE!!

New faces

At Staveley this half-term, Miss Annie Maguire will be in school on an ad hoc basis working with our children on a supply basis to enable our three full-time teachers to attend training courses/provide leadership time as and when appropriate. We welcome her.

Start of School arrangements and parking at the beginning and end of the school day

The new arrangements for the start of school appear to be going well; I have had many positive comments from parents. For the children, the new arrangements are providing them with a quiet and calm start to the day.

Regarding parking at the start of the school day at Staveley, I would respectfully ask that parents refrain from parking in the school entrance as some staff arrive for work at the start of the day and need access to the car park. Access here should be kept clear at all times.

For parents at Kirk Hammerton, please ensure that you park your car at drop-off and pick-up at the Nursery School car park. The road along St. John's Grove is in very poor condition and residents would be grateful if parents did not park along this road. Thank you.

End of Term Newsletter

The next newsletter, which will be the last for the term, will be sent out on 9th December. Please note that this is three weeks from now.

Wishing you all a relaxing and restful weekend.

Liz Mellor