

SLALEY FIRST SCHOOL

November /December 2016

AutumnTerm

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Message from the Headteacher:

Last month we sent out a gritting plan in case of icy/snowy conditions. Please note that, as the weather worsens, children will be able to come straight into school on a morning via the side door. Cones will be placed across the path to show we are not lining up on the yard and a member of staff will be on duty from 8:50am to



see the children in. Reception children can also use this door and then make their own way through the hall to the Early Years classroom.

An additional coffee morning has been scheduled for Wednesday, 30th November to give you all an opportunity to meet the new FoSS team and share in your child's learning (Classes will be open to parents from 9:00-10:00). I'd also like to take this opportunity, on behalf of all the staff and pupils, to thank the 'outgoing' FoSS team for all their hard work and tireless support of the school.

Going, going, gone!



A final reminder about the Auction of Pledges to be held at the Commemoration Hall, Slaley on Saturday, 12th November. Doors will open at 5:30pm for bidding to start at 6:00pm.

This is going to be a very exciting evening with over 50 lots available.

Do please join us and make this another extremely successful FoSS event.

Wellington Boots

Last year, the children were encouraged to bring wellie boots into school so that they could continue to play on the school field when the grass was wet. We would like them to do the same this year, but please could you make sure they come into school named, in a plastic carrier bag.



Also, we would recommend that all pupils now have a coat with them for playtimes. Thank you.

Christmas Celebrations



As previously mentioned, there will be two performances of our school nativity 'Witnesses' on Tuesday, 13th December. Both performances will be held in St. Mary's Church, Slaley Village:

10:30—Matinee Performance (with Nursery)

6:00—Evening Performance

Tickets will be limited to two per family and we look forward to seeing you there.

Notes from the Office:

- Any absence needs to be communicated to the school office by 9:30am. You can visit, phone or email (details below). Thank you.
- ⇒ Please can you regularly check your Parentmail account for any communication from school. This is very important. Thank you.
- ⇒ We would like to remind you that, if prescribed medication needs to be administered at school, an official form must be completed. You can find this form on the school's website, in the Parent Zone, or you can collect one from the office. Without this information we can not administer medication to your child.
- ⇒ Winter P.E. Kit (joggers and hoodies) available on line through School Trends—link in the Parent Zone of the website.

Tel: 01434 673220 Email: admin@slaley.northumberland.school.uk

Dates for your diary:

NOVEMBER

2nd November—Zumba Classes (R-Y2) 6 sessions

4th November—Magic Lantern Visit (R-Y4)

12th November (6-9pm) - FOSS Auction of Pledges, Commemoration Hall, Slaley.

14th November—Anti-Bullying Week

15th November—Trip to The Great North Museum (Class 2)

18th November—School Photographs

22nd November—Nurse Visit (YI-3)

23rd November—Child Protection Training (all staff)

30th November—Coffee Morning (9:00—10:00am)



DECEMBER

13th December—Nativity Services at St. Mary's Church (10:30 am and 6:00 pm)

15th December—Christmas Lunch at school

16th December—Last day of term.



JANUARY

Tuesday, 3rd January—Children return to school.

I I th January—Street Dance classes start for Y3 & 4 (6 sessions)

FEBRUARY

2nd February—Parents' Evening All dates are on the website calendar.

Further information will be sent nearer the time.

