



# Sunnybrow News

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Woohoo the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December! The Christmas decorations are up and the Christmas tunes have been blasting out of Class One. We were incredibly lucky to kick-start our festive build-up with a trip to Beamish on Tuesday. This trip was fully funded by local business Groundwork Services Durham. We can't thank them enough for paying for the trip and bus. We felt so incredibly lucky to be

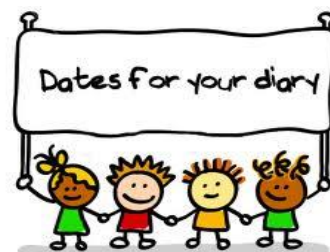
able to offer this trip to the children, as they all got to also take part in a Christmas workshop. Class 1 and 2 took part in Tales of Christmas where they played traditional games like hunt the thimble, made peg dolls and listened to a Christmas story in front of the fire. Class 3 had a Victorian lesson in the school house and Class 4 took part in 'Bah Humbug' in the town. It was a fantastic trip and Sunnybrow children did us proud. In fact, Class 3 were commended by members of the public for their behaviour. Amazing!

On Sunday, a small group of children and staff took part in Crook's Winter Light Parade. Class 3 children had worked with Jack Drum Arts to make costumes over the last few weeks. It was a fantastic event. The costumes and music were outstanding! We hope we get asked to take part again. Thank you to the children, parents and staff who braved the cold and took part.



## Reading in school

Lots of our children aren't reading at home. I can't stress enough how important reading is-it really is the gateway into everything we do! We ask our children to read 3 times a week at home as part of their homework. Reading records are monitored by staff each week as we ended up with 28 in homework club last Friday, many of whom hadn't read at home.



- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>-Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December-Book Fair
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December-Whole-school pantomime trip
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December-Christmas Disco
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December-Charity bag collection
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December-C3 & C4 Christmas Party
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December-C1 & C2 Christmas party
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December-Nativity
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December-Polar Express Day
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December-Break up for Christmas holiday



## School attendance for the year:

- Class 1: 100%
- Class 2: 97.4%
- Class 3: 95.7%
- Class 4: 93.5%

## Safeguarding:

Worried about a child out of school hours?

To increase motivation, we have created a reading at home dojo. For those children who read 3 times a week at home, they will get the reading dojo on a Friday and it is worth 5 dojo points! Those children will also earn a ticket for the reading raffle. At the end of each half-term, the raffle will be drawn and the winner will win a £10 book voucher!

### Fundraising

A huge thankyou to everyone who took part in some way in our Christmas fair. We raised a whopping £910.



### Next week

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> next week is a busy day. Children from Reception onwards will be going to the Empire Theatre in Consett to watch Jack and the Beanstalk. After school, we also have a school disco and we are having another charity bag collection if you are having a clear out before Christmas and have anything you want to donate.

### Online Safety:



Behind video-sharing platforms (like YouTube) and streaming TV shows and movies, gaming is the third most popular online activity for children in the UK. In fact, according to recent data from Ofcom, an overwhelming 89% of children aged 3 to 17 play video games. Of those, more than one in five (22%) talk to other players

online who they don't know outside the game.

The risk of contact from strangers is just one of the reasons that many parents are concerned about their child's gaming: increased screen time, inappropriate content and in-game spending also figure among the most frequent fears. Agreeing on some rules around your child's gaming activities can certainly help, and the National Online Safety guide has some useful tips for establishing these boundaries.

- If a child is in **immediate danger or at risk of immediate harm**, you should contact the **Police on 999**.
- If you are **concerned** about a child you should share your concern with the **First Contact Team on 03000 267 979**.
- You can also contact the **NSPCC** for advice on **0800 800 5000** or email [help@NSPCC.org.uk](mailto:help@NSPCC.org.uk)
- If you have **non-urgent** information about the safety or welfare of a child to share with the safeguarding team at Sunnibrow Primary School please contact **Mrs Sim** on 01388 746 413 or [sunnibrow@durhamlearning.net](mailto:sunnibrow@durhamlearning.net)



Headteacher's Award: Megan

	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
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English	Darcie	Daniel	Jaiden-Lee	Megan
Multiplication	Oscar	Jack	Lucas-Jay	Dexter
Exceptionally Talented	Alexander	Rosie	Evie-Grace	Layton-James
Citizen	Ellie	Kenzie-Logan	Kayleigh	Casey
Dojo	Harley-Jay	Dominic	Tobey	Jessica
Honest Empathetic Ambitious Respectful & Resilient Trustworthy				