



The Federation of Snape Community and Thornton Watlass C E Primary Schools

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C of E Primary School

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Newsletter 7 -December 7th 2012



We have started this week with a flurry of snow, just to get us all in the Christmas spirit! At TW on Monday we had a lovely Advent service at St Marys with Reverend Robinson, followed by the community lunch. Snape had their lunch on Tuesday. Thank you to all our visitors for supporting our lunches! This has been so popular that we are making them a monthly event! In February we will be holding another community lunch for those living in our villages who normally don't have any dealings with school, date to follow, and in addition on 14th Feb♥ we will be having a parents/grandparents Yorkshire Pudding lunch. More details to follow.

The after school club is now up and running with 7 regular bookings from children at both schools and due to demand breakfast club will start on Wednesday 12th Dec. If you require any details or would like to book your child in for a session please see the school website or contact TW office.

Yesterday TW had their fundraising cinema evening. A lovely night was had by all and £94 was raised for children in need. Congratulations to all involved and many thanks to the staff.

FOSS and FOTW are now selling raffle tickets for the Christmas draw. Please send any stubs and money back to school asap. The prizes are fabulous so don't forget to buy your ticket for a chance to win! TW will be drawing their winning ticket on Thursday 13th December at the federation Christmas lunch. Please have all tickets in by Wednesday 12th Dec. Snape are drawing theirs on Friday 21st, please ensure the ticket are in by Wed 19th. Many thanks and Good Luck!

Our pantomime trips are nearly upon us (oh no they're not!) please note that the shows don't finish until 4.30pm therefore Class 2 children wont be back to school until approximately 5.30 pm and Class 1 approximately 5pm.

Christmas parties - As always we are asking for you to contribute party food to the childrens Christmas party. At Snape there is a list in the porch and at TW a slip will be sent home with your child.

If anyone is a dab hand in the kitchen and would like to donate mince pies for the Christmas concerts please feel free to do so! TW is 12th Dec and Snape 20th Dec.

Some early news for next year, Swimming lessons will recommence for all the pupils the first week back in January. Snape will be swimming on a Wednesday morning. Please ensure your child is at school at 8.30am to be transported to Bedale Leisure Centre for a 9am lesson. TW will once again be swimming on a Friday 11-11.30, but this time the whole school will be going! Please complete the attached permission form and return to school asap. Kit is trunks/costume, towel and hair bobble for long hair!

As Mrs Huyton is leaving at the end of this term Mrs Moodie will be teaching class 1 at Snape for the spring term.

Dates for diaries

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| 12 Dec | 6.30pm TW Christmas nativity at St Marys |
| 13 Dec | Federation Christmas lunch at TW |
| 18 Dec | Class 2 - Pantomime trip to "Sleeping Beauty" At Darlington Civic Theatre Sponsored by FOSS/FOTW |
| 18 Dec | Class 1 - Pantomime trip to "Babes in the wood" At Richmond Theatre Sponsored by FOSS/FOTW |
| 19 Dec | TW Christmas party |
| 20 Dec | Christingle service in Snape Castle Chapel 10am - everyone invited |
| 20 Dec | Snape - Christmas play in the Methodist Chapel 6.15pm - everyone invited |
| 21 Dec | S Christmas party |
| 21 Dec | TW Christingle service in church. 2.45 - everyone invited |
| 8 Jan | Happy New Year! School re-opens |
| 9 Jan | Snape - Weekly swimming lessons begin at BLC for the whole school |
| 11Jan | TW - Weekly swimming lessons begin at BLC for the whole school. |
| 14 Jan | Toddler group begins at Snape, then alternate weeks at TW |
| 14 Feb | Parents and Grandparents lunch - Yorkshire Pudding Day! |

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I give permission forto be transported to Bedale Leisure Centre by coach. I also give my child permission to take part in swimming lessons.

Signed