



Headteacher Mr M Shillito

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Sicklinghall Superstars!



Congratulations to everyone who has received a Special Mention Certificate this week:

Jzzy

Ella

Oscar E

Agnes

Lily

Sam

Gabriella



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We cannot be building up to Christmas celebrations already, can we? If this week's newsletter is anything to go by, I think our question has been answered! Thank you to everyone who was able to attend this week's class assemblies- we were so impressed with the confident way in which pupils presented their learning. Our classrooms are full of superstars!

The Thrive Approach

As a federation, we are adopting the Thrive Approach this school year. Thrive is a specific way of working with children of all ages that helps to develop their social and emotional wellbeing, enabling them to engage with life and learning. The Thrive Approach enables us to identify areas in which an individual child or group of children need further support so that appropriate provision can be put in place in school.

Further information can be found on the leaflet that accompanies this week's newsletter. Miss Brown is currently undertaking training in the Thrive approach to be able to run the programme at Sicklinghall. In order for her to use Thrive's online tool, we need to ask for your consent to input your child's personal information which includes contact details, date of birth and information relating to his/her learning and behaviour.

A consent form will be sent via ParentMail for you to return to school at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions about the Thrive Approach in school, please see Miss Brown or Mr Shillito.

Sicklinghall School Reverse Advent Calendar

This year, we would like to approach Advent a little differently. In addition to enjoying the opening of an advent calendar to reveal a little treat each year, we would like to create a school wide **reverse advent calendar** to give a little back to those who may not receive gifts or treats at Christmas.

The concept is simple and we hope that you may feel able to take part. Each day, we shall place a box out on the ramp with the day's date in the hope that it may be

filled with something that can be given to someone to help them enjoy a brighter Christmas. We shall place a list on the noticeboard in school and ask pupils to put their name next to a date so that each date in December is filled. If you wish to take part, we only ask that you contribute one gift at some point during December. If everyone is able to make a small contribution, this collective effort will make a big difference to families who may be struggling this Christmas. Gifts that can be given include:

- Dolls, teddy bears, figurines
- Pencils, crayons, paper, colouring books
- CDs, DVDs, books
- Small toys
- Hats, gloves, scarves
- Make up, toiletries
- Baby clothes
- T shirts, jumpers
- Arts and crafts, jigsaws
- Bath towels, hand towels, blankets
- Chocolate and sweets

We ask that all gifts donated are new and in good condition. The gifts will be wrapped at the end of term by our pupils and will be donated to local causes (these causes will be chosen depending on what we receive- please do feel free to suggest a local cause that you feel would benefit from receiving gifts).

We hope that you feel able to contribute in some way. Any contribution is greatly appreciated. Please ask your child to add their name (or add it yourself if you would prefer) to the list placed on the inside of the double doors at the top of the ramp. Many thanks in anticipation of any help you can give.

Christmas Party - Tuesday 18 December 2018

This year's children's Christmas party will be held in the Village Hall on **Tuesday 18 December from 1.00pm-3.30pm**. Children may come to school wearing their party/casual clothes that day, but please remember they will still need suitable footwear. There will be **no**



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school lunch on this day as the PTFA provide a party lunch for the children on arrival at the hall. Children should be collected at the end of the party from the Village Hall at 3.30pm please. We request that you please park considerately when collecting your children from the village hall and preferably park in the car park at The Scotts Arms pub, thank you.

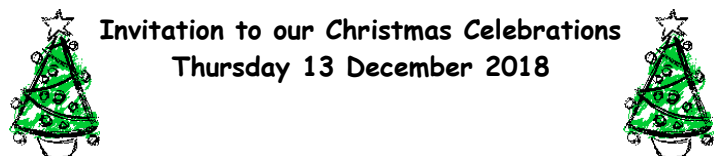
Any children who will be attending Chill Out Zone up until 5.30pm on this day will be walked back up to school by Miss Redmond & Miss Hobbs at 3.30pm.

Young Voices Concert - Monday 14 January 2019

Ticket payment is now due for parents/carers to attend the Young Voices concert on 14 January 2019. Please make payment via ParentPay in order that tickets can be allocated to you.

Poppy Day Collection

A local representative of the Royal British Legion has advised us that we collected a total of **£88.22** during the week commencing 5th November. Thank you very much for your generous donations.



Invitation to our Christmas Celebrations Thursday 13 December 2018

Invitation to Parents/Carers/Families - Church Service & German Christmas Market

As part of our Christmas celebrations we will be visiting St Peter's Church, Sicklinghall, and holding a German Christmas Market on **Thursday 13 December 2018** to which everyone is invited (parents/carers, grandparents, friends).

For the Christmas market the children will be decorating the hall and making decorations to sell. We are hoping to have a German cake stall too for which we

need to ask for lots of help and donations please! We are asking for any German style Christmas Biscuits/Stollen to be brought into school for us to sell on the cake stall as part of our German market. All funds raised will be sent to a charity chosen by Willow class.



Please could your cake/biscuit donations be dropped off at school on either **Wednesday 12 December** or the **morning of Thursday 13 December**. Many thanks and we look forward to seeing you all there!

REMINDER: Year 4 Residential to Bewerley Park

Further to the ParentMail letter sent out on 25.10.18, please note that all deposit payments of £40.00 are required **before Monday 3 December 2018**. Please arrange payment for your child via the ParentPay payment service. Thank you.

Willow Class Swimming Lessons

Thank you to all parents/carers for payments received towards your child's swimming lessons so far this term. May we remind you of the **payment deadline date of NEXT FRIDAY 30 November 2018**. Willow class will continue to swim up to and including Monday 17 December 2018.

*At present we have a shortfall in payments of **£396.00**, we therefore politely request that contribution payments are checked and any further payments are made where applicable via ParentPay.*

Please inform us if you do not intend to make a voluntary contribution.

Thank you.



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Travelling Book Fair

We would like to say a very big thank you to Mrs Parr for co-ordinating and running our Travelling Book Fair this year, thanks also to Mrs Young.

We are delighted to say that it was a great success with sales reaching £402.39. As a result we have been able to order a range of books for each classroom which will benefit all of our children. Many thanks to all of our families for supporting this event.

Miss Bartlett

Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 14 December 2018

On **Friday 14 December**, the whole school will be able to participate in 'Christmas Jumper Day', along with lots of other work places and schools across the country. Children may come to school wearing their own clothes and the most Christmassy Christmas jumpers of all Christmas jumpers! In return we ask for a small donation (suggested donation £1). All money raised will go to the Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day campaign.

Silver Birch Class Swimming Lessons - Spring Term

Silver Birch class will swim during the Spring Term. Lessons begin on **Monday 14 January 2019**, up to and including **Monday 08 April 2019** (12 weeks).

A ParentMail letter was sent to all SB class parents/carers earlier this week, on 20.11.18. Please submit your consent via ParentMail before **next Tuesday, 27 November 2018.**

The ParentPay payment service for these lessons is now available for your payments.

ParentPay

Thank you for payments already received for various services.

Please ensure that your **child's lunch account** is in credit before lunches are taken and that your child's

Breakfast Club & Chill Out Zone accounts are also in credit **before** places are booked.

Please may we ask that you check your child's balances for the various trips, clubs, water bottles and services taken to ensure that and any outstanding balances are paid accordingly.

Payment services are available for:

NEW - Young Voices Tickets

NEW - Yr4 Bewerley Park Residential

NEW - Yr6 Fellside Residential

Willow Swimming Lessons for Sept 2018

Swimming Lessons for SB & CB classes

Pupil Lunches (KS2 pupils)

Breakfast Club

Chill Out Zone

Please make payments accordingly if applicable for your child. Thank you.

Coats, Hats, Scarves, Gloves, Boots!

In anticipation of the colder weather descending upon us, please can we remind all parents/carers that children need warm coats, hats, gloves and suitable wet weather footwear (wellies/boots) which should be worn for outdoor playtimes every day. Thank you.

Thank you

We wish to thank Sophie E in Y4 for her kind donation of books to school. We are sure other children will really enjoy them.

Spotted

This week, Mr Shillito has spotted the following children in and around school this week:

Cherry Blossom- Oscar H for his wonderful imagination

Silver Birch- Ivie W for a super attitude to learning

Willow- Phillip for a super attitude towards maths



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Spare Underwear!

If anyone has any girls' or boys' pants & socks that they are able to donate to school, we would be very grateful. Please pass them to teaching staff. Thank you.

Christmas Decorations

Does anyone have any old/unwanted Christmas decorations please? Any donations would be much appreciated. Thank you.

Advance Notice re Chill Out Zone-Last Day of Term - Friday 21 December 2018

Please note that Chill Out Zone will not run on the final day of term, **Friday 21 December 2018**, due to our **early finish of 2:30pm**.

Attendance Aces

Each Thursday, we award an attendance point to the year group with the highest attendance figure in the school.

Congratulations to Years Reception & Yr2 with 100% Well done!

Year Group	This Week (%)	Half Term Points
Reception	100	3
Year 1	98.6	1
Year 2	100	3
Year 3	96.4	
Year 4	99.5	1
Year 5	96.8	
Year 6	97.7	

Friday Folders

Please could you ensure that your Friday Folders are returned to the school **on Mondays of each week**. Please ask your child to hand it to their class teacher. Thank you.

Applications for a Primary School Place for September 2019

If you live within North Yorkshire and your child was born between **1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015**, your child will be due to start school in the academic year 2019-20 and you will need to apply for a primary school place for **September 2019**.

All North Yorkshire applications are encouraged to be made online, details of which can be found using the following link:

<http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/23544/Apply-for-a-primary-school-place>

Applications can be made from now and have to be submitted before **15 January 2019**. Please also see NYCC letter attached.

***A note for families living in Wetherby/West Yorkshire postcode area:** Please note that your applications should be made via your home authority, Leeds City Council, stating Sicklinghall CP School as your preferred school. For further information and advice please see:

<http://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/Pages/Admissions-Primary-School.aspx>

Leeds City Council Admissions Team tel no: 0113 222 4414 and email: education.admissions@leeds.gov.uk.

Bad Weather Arrangements

We would like to advise/remind everyone of our bad weather and winter arrangements which are outlined below:

- School will endeavour to remain open where possible during the winter months.
- The school would need to close before the school day starts only if staff are not able to make the journey into school, meaning that there would not be enough adults to provide adequate and safe supervision of pupils.
- The school would need to close during the school day only if conditions worsen to such an extent that journeys home for families and for staff would become dangerous.
- Families' journeys to school are diverse, with some walking, some driving from local villages



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and some driving from further afield. For this reason, we ask that parents/carers take their own decision as to whether it is safe to drive to school on snowy days. If you decide not to make the journey, please inform school via a phone call or email.

- Should school need to close, a text message will be sent to all parents/carers as early as possible. This message will also be posted on the front page of our website (sicklinghallprimary.co.uk) and broadcast on Stray FM (97.2FM).
- Should school remain open but there is a thick blanket of snow on the ground, the playground entrance will remain closed. Pupils are therefore asked to come into school via the car park entrance, which will be supervised by a member of staff.



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DIARY DATES TO KEEP - 2018-2019

Swimming Lessons for Willow Class every Monday: 10 Sept-17 Dec 2018

Multi-Sports After School Club-KS2 - Wednesdays-w/c
Mon 03 Sept: 3.30-4.30pm

Forest School After School Club-Autumn Term 2
Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm: 4 sessions on 22/29 Nov & 06/20 Dec (please note the club is NOT running on 15 Nov or 13 Dec)

Autumn Term 2

Mon 10 Sept-Mon 17 Dec: Willow Swimming lessons

Fri 23 Nov: 3pm Cherry Blossom class assembly
Mon 03 Dec: Deposit Payments due - Yr4 Bewerley Park
Fri 7 Dec: Movie Night 5.00-7.00pm
Thur 13 Dec: 1.30-2.30pm Christmas Church Service & 2.30-3.30pm German Market, school hall
Fri 14 Dec: Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
Tue 18 Dec: 1.00-3.30pm Children's Christmas Party at Village Hall - collect from Village Hall at 3.30pm
Thur 20 Dec: School Christmas Dinner
Fri 21 Dec: 2pm Carols around the Christmas Tree
Fri 21 Dec: **2.30pm** School closes for Christmas holiday (NO COZ provision)

Spring Term 1

Swimming for Silver Birch class every Monday: 14 Jan-08 April 2019

Mon 7 Jan: Staff Training Day-School Closed to pupils
Tue 8 Jan: School re-opens
Mon 14 Jan: Young Voices Concert-Sheffield Arena
Tue 15 Jan: Deadline for YrReception applications for Sept 2019 places
Thur 17 Jan: 6.30-7.30pm Joint Fellside Meeting for Yr6 parents/carers @ SCPS
Fri 01 Feb: Final balance payments due - Yr4 Bewerley Park
Fri 08 Feb: Deadline for deposit payments-Yr6 Fellside trip
Mon 11 Feb: 3.50-5.30pm Parent/Carer Consultation evening
Thur 14 Feb: 6.00-8.00pm Parent/Carer Consultation evening
Fri 22 Feb: School closes for half term

Spring Term 2

Mon 04 Mar: School re-opens
Thur 07 Mar: World Book Day
Mon 18 Mar: 3pm Willow class assembly

Thur 21 Mar: 3pm Cherry Blossom class assembly
Mon 25 Mar: 3pm Silver Birch class assembly
Fri 12 Apr: School closes for Easter holiday
Wed 17 Apr: Final balance payments due for Yr6 Fellside trip

Summer Term 1

Swimming for Cherry Blossom class every Monday: 13 May-08 Jul 2019

Mon 29 Apr: Staff Training Day-School Closed to pupils
Tue 30 Apr: School re-opens
w/c 13 May: Yr6 SATs week
Fri 24 May: School closes for half term

Summer Term 2

Mon 3 Jun: School re-opens
Thur 6 Jun: Adventure Photography-class/year group photos
Thur 13 Jun: 2pm Sports Day (reserve date Wed 26 Jun)
Mon 17-Fri 21 Jun: Yr6 Residential-Fellside
Wed 26 Jun: 2pm RESERVE date-Sports Day
Fri 19 Jul: 12pm Whole School Picnic lunch (NO school lunch provision today)
Fri 19 Jul: 1.30pm Leavers assembly
Fri 19 Jul: **2.30pm** School closes for Summer holiday (NO COZ provision)

Mr Shillito's weekly diary for Nov/Dec 2018:

w/c	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
w/c 26.11.18	SCPS	G'B	G'B	SCPS	G'B
w/c 03.12.18	SCPS	G'B	SCPS	SCPS	G'B
w/c 10.12.18	SCPS	G'B	G'B	SCPS	G'B
w/c 17.12.18	SCPS	G'B	SCPS	SCPS	G'B

Please note this may be subject to change