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***Sicklinghall Superstars!***



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

***Verity***

***Alice***

***Sebby***

***Harrison***

***Katie***

***Freddie***

***& the whole of Willow Class for being so helpful during our Open Mornings***



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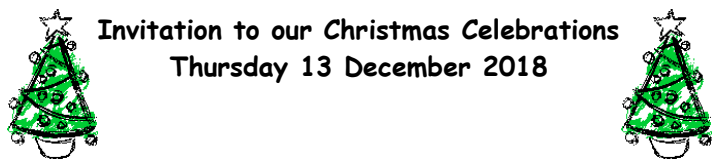
There was lots of excitement in school today with the visit of the Stray FM team! Silver Birch and Willow were in fine voice as they recorded the 'Sleeps to Santa' song. Listen in to Stray FM each morning between 7:15 and 8:30 to hear our version of the jingle!

### End of Term

School closes for Christmas on **Friday 21 December at 2:30pm**. Before this time, at 2pm, parents and carers are welcome to join us for Carols Around the Tree in the hall. The new term begins on **Tuesday 8 January 2019**.

### Potential Road Closures - 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December

We have been informed of possible road closures on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December along Longlands Lane and potentially Main Street, due to Yorkshire Water maintenance work. Despite these scheduled works, we will still be holding the children's Christmas party at the Village Hall as originally planned - all arrangements previously communicated to you remain the same. Should anything change before Tuesday 18 December we will advise you.



### 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 **next 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 **next Wednesday, 12 December** or the **morning of next Thursday, 13 December**.

Willow Class will also be performing several tunes on their Ukuleles during the Christmas market. Many thanks and we look forward to seeing you all there!

### REMINDER: Christmas Jumper Day - NEXT Friday 14 December 2018

Next **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.

### Reverse Advent Calendar

Our Reverse Advent Calendar is now up and running! Thank you so much for your generous donations so far. If you feel able to provide a gift, please sign up for a day on the calendar and pop your gift in the calendar box inside the double doors on your day. Gifts will be wrapped by our pupils at the end of term and taken to causes in our district to support families in need.



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### The Thrive Approach

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, you will now have received a consent letter for using The Thrive Approach in school. Please submit your replies as soon as possible as work will begin on this approach in the coming fortnight. Where replies have not been received, pupils will not be included in the planning and provision of Thrive activities.

If you have any questions about the Thrive Approach in school, please see Miss Brown or Mr Shillito.

### Breakfast Club & Chill Out Zone Booking Forms for Spring Term 1, 2019

Please note that booking forms for next term, Spring Term 1, are now available for you to collect from the plastic wallets in the cloakroom corridor wall holder. (they are also available for you to print from our website).

Please complete and return **before NEXT Monday 10 December 2018** in order for Mrs Johnson Ware, Miss Redmond & Miss Hobbs to make provisions for bookings on our return after the Christmas holiday, on **Tuesday 8 January 2019**.

**Please note that two week's notice is required for cancellation of any bookings otherwise payment will be due.**

For bookings or alterations to bookings please use **Tel no: 07342 164 297**. Thank you.

### 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 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.

### Willow Class Swimming Lessons

Thank you to all parents/carers for payments received towards your child's swimming lessons so far this term. Although the **payment deadline date of 30 November 2018** has now passed, we kindly request that contribution payments are checked and any further payments are made where applicable via ParentPay. Willow class will continue to swim up to and including Monday 17 December 2018.

*There remains 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.

### 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.



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Payment services are available for:

- NEW - Young Voices Tickets**
- NEW - Yr4 Bewerley Park Residential**
- NEW - Yr6 Fellside Residential**
- Swimming Lessons for W, 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.

### Spotted

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

- Cherry Blossom-** Amelia for her independence.
- Silver Birch-** Jon for his superb ideas when writing.
- Willow-** Isabelle for her brilliant approach to learning in maths.

### 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 Year 2 with 100%  
Well done!**

Year Group	This Week (%)	Half Term Points
Reception	96.4	3
Year 1	99.1	1
Year 2	100	5
Year 3	94.6	
Year 4	96.8	1
Year 5	91.9	
Year 6	98.2	1

\*below national average

### 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>



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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](mailto:education.admissions@leeds.gov.uk).

(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.

### 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 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



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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 7 Dec: PTFA 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  
 Tues 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 Dec 2018/Jan 2019:

w/c	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
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
w/c 07.01.19	STAFF TRAINING DAY	G'B	G'B	SCPS	G'B
w/c 14.01.19	SCPS	G'B	SCPS	SCPS	G'B

Please note this may be subject to change