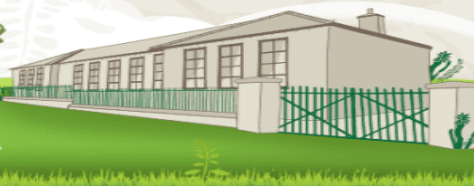


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## Newsletter 5- 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022



### Dates For Your Diary

Here are some dates for your diary: -

- 24<sup>th</sup> November Whole school trip to Bowes Museum, 9.25am until 2.45pm.
- 7<sup>th</sup> December Christmas play at the Village Hall. Performance starts at 6pm.
- 13<sup>th</sup> December – Multi Skills Festival at Staindrop, Nursery & Reception, 9.30am until 11.30am.
- 14<sup>th</sup> December Christmas lunch.
- 16<sup>th</sup> December Panto – Pinocchio at The Georgian Theatre Royal, times to be confirmed.
- 20<sup>th</sup> December end of term – school re-opens Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

### Antibullying Week



This week has been Anti-bullying week and throughout the week the children have taken part in a variety of activities around this year's theme 'Reach out'. It was

great to see so many odd socks in school on Monday.

### Road Safety Week

The children took part in an assembly where they talked about keeping safe on the roads especially as the nights are getting darker.

As part of their learning the children have been asked to design a poster which will be displayed around school.



### The Dales Partnership Facebook Page

The Facebook page shared by the schools is now up and running and you can see it by using the link below. We will update it regularly with information and pictures about what has been happening in school.

<https://www.facebook.com/The-Dales-Partnership-105156162228206>



### Poppy Day



The children were very well behaved and respectful when we were up at the war memorial. They placed their poppies carefully on the war memorial and Year 6 read their poems beautifully after the last post was played by Lynn our school cook.

### Bowes Museum Trip

The schools in our Federation are going to be involved in a project with the Bowes Museum. We will be following the journey of the painting Perseus and Andromeda as it is prepared for and makes the journey to an exhibition in Japan.

We will be involved in different activities across this school year, linked to this event. To begin this project, we will visit the Bowes Museum on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> of November. We will find out more about the painting and be involved in activities linked to it and to our KS2 history topic, The Ancient Greeks. The Owls class, in addition to seeing the painting, will take part in a toys from the past workshop which again links with their topic.

There will be no cost for this trip and if your child has school lunch the school kitchen will provide them with a packed lunch. The children need to wear their school uniform. We will not be visiting the shop so the children do not need any spending money. **Please can all children bring a bag for their lunch and a water bottle.**



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### Parking Outside School



We would just like to remind everyone to park considerately around the school at drop off and picking up times. Please avoid parking too close to junctions and in places which create a hazard for pedestrians and other road users. We appreciate that there is little space to park near school but would appreciate your support to try to improve the situation.

Thank you to all the parents who are able to walk to school for drop off and pick up time. Thank you also to everyone who is helping us by parking considerately.

### Friends of The School – FOBS

On Wednesday the friends held a movie night which was well attended and the children enjoyed a film, hotdog and sweets.



### Afterschool Clubs

- Monday – Lego
- Tuesday – Art
- Wednesday – Indoor Ball Games
- Thursday – Homework
- Friday – Computers

To book your child into after school club or breakfast club, please send an email to:

[butterknowle@durhamlearning.net](mailto:butterknowle@durhamlearning.net)

### Learning Around School

#### Blackbirds

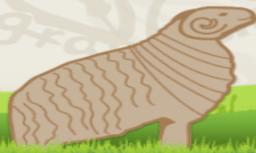


This week we have been reading the story “We’re going on a bear hunt”. We have done lots of activities in blackbirds like going on a number paw print hunt, playing the where is teddy game and making a story sensory tray where the children acted out the story. We have had so much fun!

#### Owls

In PE we have been learning about Dance. Last week we enjoyed a dance workshop where we created a dance based on the weather and this week the children made up their own dance for the Christmas play. They enjoyed making wind socks linked to Science where we have been looking at the weather.





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## Robins



We have enjoyed a maths investigation this week where we had to figure out the mathematical rules to turn on the lights.



We are also enjoying our Science topic 'Electricity' especially the practical side where we are learning to make



complete circuits with various components.



## Community Notices

### Raby Cricket Club

Raby Castle Cricket Club. Our Indoor Winter training sessions are starting on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November at Barnard Castle School starting at 6pm. Children aged 5 and above are very welcome to attend our Junior training sessions. If anyone would like any more information please contact me by email on [smh281994@outlook.com](mailto:smh281994@outlook.com) or by phone on 07590 537953.

**FINANCIAL CRISIS SUPPORT**

# FEED THE FAMILY



TCR sessions to access advice and cooking on a budget  
**Thursday from 4 to 6pm**

**13 Oct: Andrew from The Crown**  
**3 Nov: Carly from Moment's Café**  
**17 Nov: Kenny from Chocolate Fayre**  
**1 Dec: to be confirmed**  
**15 Dec: to be confirmed**

Are you concerned about the cost of living and worried about managing over winter? Come and chat to people in the same situation and access advice on managing your money at our Feed the Family sessions, with **Citizen's Advice** as well as **local chefs** who are making a meal for the family at £1 a head. Crafts and games available.

Booking essential at [www.tcrhub.co.uk](http://www.tcrhub.co.uk)

TCR Hub, Shaw Bank, Barnard Castle DL12 8TD  
Phone: 01833 690150




**FREE ENTRY**

# CHRISTMAS FAYRE

**BUTTERKNOWLE VILLAGE HALL**

**11AM - 3PM**  
**SATURDAY**  
**19TH NOVEMBER**

OVER 25 STALLS INCLUDING TOYS, BOOKS, CRAFTS, SKINCARE, PERFUME, CARDS & MORE

**HOT REFRESHMENTS**  
**MULLED WINE**  
**GAMES**  
**PLUS MORE!!**



### FOBS Tombola Stall

The friends of the school are looking to hold a tombola at the Christmas Fayre at the Village Hall on 19th November. Please pop in to support this event.



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Preloved parent, children and baby goods

Profits go to NCT Charity



New Venue

Durham Nearly New Sale

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022  
1.15pm-3pm (NCT members early entry 1pm)  
Only £1 entry

Lots of baby and children's toys, clothes, prams, and nursery equipment. Stalls, refreshment, business stands and much more.

King James I Academy, Bishop Auckland  
DL14 7JZ  
Access via South Church Road.

£1 Entry

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Come Along to Bag Yourself a Bargain!



St John's Lynsack and St Mary's Woodland  
invite you to their

## CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022

At Butterknowle Village Hall 2-4pm

Pamper yourself with a delicious traditional homemade afternoon tea ..... only £7.50pp

*A selection of savouries, cream scones, sweet treats and unlimited tea/coffee await you, together with a complimentary glass of fizz!*

*Bring a friend, relax and enjoy good company, good food and friendly table service.*

*Booking is not required but for parties of 6 or more please send a message to our Facebook page so that we can ensure you will be seated together.*



*There will also be a donation point for local food banks. In true Christmas spirit please give generously.*