# Dear Parents.

We hope you all had a lovely half term and the children are raring to go for what will be one of the busiest half terms of the school year!

#### Attendance

This half term we are hoping to continue to promote good attendance amongst our children. Each week those children who have 100% attendance for that week will receive a raffle ticket. At the end of each half term a raffle ticket will be drawn for one lucky person to win an attendance prize. If your child is absent at any time please let us know as soon as you can.

### Clubs

Football club is now finished. Other sports coaches will be in over the year to provide after school clubs as well a specialist coaching. Miss Hattle continues to run our before and after school club so please call to book a place if you need it.

## Office News

All monies are collected in on a Monday.

The cost for swimming is £3.00 per week and the cost for dinners is £9.75 per week.

If you would like to pay for swimming in advance for the rest of the half term from next week the cost is £18.00 as we will not be swimming in the last week.

If you would like to pay for school dinners for the half term in advance the cost is £68.25 from next week. This is just for children in years 3 or 4.

#### PTA.

We are looking to recruit members for the PTA who do valuable work in raising funds to support the work of the school. In the past they have funded a variety of events and resources. This year fund raising efforts are towards buying a greater range of books for the school library. If you are interested in helping please see Mrs Kiff or come along to the next meeting on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

# Governor Vacancy

At present we have a vacancy for a parent governor on the school governing body. Details are included with this newsletter. If you feel you would like to support the school in this valuable role please read the information provided.

#### Remembrance

We currently have poppies available in school for the children to buy for a suggested donation of 20p. As a school we will be marking remembrance on the II<sup>th</sup> November with the older children, (classes 3, 4 and 5) visiting the war memorial. Two of our older children will also be laying a wreath during the remembrance service at the war memorial on the  $13^{m}$ November.

#### Book Fair

The recent book fair was very well supported and has resulted in school receiving £207 to spend on books for the library. Thank you for your support at this event.

Yours sincerely,

Wendy Kiff

# Spittal Community First School News

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Diary Dates

Sunday 13th November

School representatives at the Remembrance Day service at Spittal war memorial 12.45 p.m.

Wednesday 23rd November

School Nurse immunisations for year one two and three children.

Monday 28th November

Parent and child Christmas craft session 2.40-3.20 p.m Parents welcome for those in Miss Richards, Miss Ellis and Miss Lundy's classes.

Tuesday 29th November

Christmas craft session for children and parents in Mr Hair's class. 2.4-0-3.20 p.m

Wednesday 30th November

Reception children visit to Whitehouse Farm

Thursday 1st December

Christmas craft session for children and parents in Miss Wallace and Mrs Wallace's classes. 2.40-3.20 p.m.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Christmas fair 1.30-3.20 p.m

Monday 5th December

Mr Hair's class Christmas performance 2.30 p.m.

Tuesday 6th December

Christmas lunch

Wednesday 7th December

Miss Wallace and Mrs Wallace's classes Christmas performance 2.30 p.m.

Thursday 8th December

Miss Richards class Christmas performance 9 a.m

Miss Ellis's class Christmas performance 2.30 p.m.

Friday 9th December

Miss Lundy's class Christmas performance 9 a.m.

Week beginning 12th December

Miss Wallace, Mrs Wallace and Mr Hair pantomime trip

Monday 12th December

Reception children party

Tuesday 13th December

Year one children's Christmas party

Miss Wallace, Mrs Wallace and Mr Hair's classes carol singing in the church. 2.30 p.m, parents welcome.

Wednesday 14th December

Mr Hair's class party

Thursday 15th December

Miss Wallace and Mrs Wallace class's Christmas party

Friday 16th December

Miss Richards, Miss Ellis and Miss Lundy's classes end of term assembly 9 a.m.

Miss Wallace, Mrs Wallace, Mr Hair's classes end of term assembly 2.40 p.m.

School breaks up at 3.20 p.m

School re-opens Wednesday 4th January