

# Sleights Church of England (Voluntary Controlled) Primary School

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*Working together to be happy; to flourish; to succeed through our Christian Values of perseverance, respect and trust.*

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29<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Dear families,

## **OfSTED inspection**

We started the week by being able to share our 'Good' OfSTED judgement. We really are delighted with the outcome and I would, again, like to say a huge thank you to everyone involved in Team Sleights. The full report is available on our school website, or on the OfSTED website.

## **This week's reading update**

This week, we would like to invite you to a reading open afternoon on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. The school will be open at 2pm for families to join us. Every child will be gifted with a book that they have chosen. These books will be the children's to keep. We look forward to being able to share the gift of words with you all.

## **Mrs Taylor and Mrs Burton**

You may have seen some familiar faces returning to Sleights this week. We were happy to welcome back Mrs Taylor and Mrs Burton to the team.

Mrs Taylor returned on Tuesday. Mrs Taylor will take up the teaching of Discoverers again from Tuesday next week. In the meantime, I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Hugill for her dedication and hard work whilst working at Sleights. We wish her well in her new post and hope she visits us in the future.

Mrs Burton will return to school in January, after having baby Joshua earlier in the year. Mrs Burton is currently spending time in classes around the school as part of her return. Teaching arrangements for January will be:

Year 2/3 – Mrs Roe (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday) Mrs Burton (Thursday)

Year 4 – Mrs Taylor (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday AM, Thursday, Friday) Mrs Burton (Wednesday PM)

Year 5/6 – Mrs Walker (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday) Mrs Burton (Friday)

Please do not hesitate to speak to me if you have any questions or queries about this.

## **Christmas Tree at St. Mary's Church**

Over the last week or so, the children have been busy making their own Christmas tree decorations for St. Mary's Church. The church is holding their annual exhibition of trees for everyone to see and enjoy over the festive period – be sure to go and have a look!

## **Sickness – 48 hour rule**

As you know, bugs and illness is particularly bad at this time of the year. Just a reminder that if your child has a sickness bug, they should not return to school for 48 hours from the last bout of sickness. It is important that this is strictly adhered to, as a number of children and staff (myself included) have fallen ill recently. Children should only be absent from school if they have been ill.

All families **must** ring the school office (leaving an answer phone message is fine) or email [admin@sleights.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@sleights.n-yorks.sch.uk) **before 9.30am** to inform us each day of absence. Thank you for your support with this.

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**We are going paperless**

We are still collecting sign up forms and would really appreciate your support with this (Thank you to those families who have already done this!) Any questions, please do ask.

**Santa is coming to Sleights**

The Endeavour Rotary Club has managed to get Santa to come and visit Sleights village on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, from 5pm to 7pm. He will make his way around Ingham Close, Birch Crescent, Birch Grove, Iburndale Lane, Birch Avenue, Lowdale Lane, The Avenue, Coach Bank and The Salmon Leap Hotel.

**Christmas Play**

We will be holding our full school performance of 'Superstar' at St. John's Church on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm. Information about costumes has been sent home with the children. Tickets for each family will be limited to four initially, but these can be split across both performances. To get your tickets, please send the reply slip below back to school as soon as possible. Tickets will then be given to the children. Like last year, if families wish to make a donation for their tickets, they would be most welcome.

**Coming up over Christmas**

- **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2pm** – Christmas Fair at School
- **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2pm** – Christmas Play at St. John's Church
- **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 6pm** – Christmas Play at St. John's Church
- **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – School Christmas Party Day
- **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 9.30am** – Christingle at St. John's Church
- **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2pm** – Reading open afternoon at School
- **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Lunch
- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – Children at Pantomime in Scarborough
- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – School Discos (after school)
- **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December** – School closes for Christmas

Have a great weekend with your families,

Scott Grason  
Headteacher

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**CHRISTMAS PLAY TICKETS  
RETURN THIS TO SCHOOL TO RESERVE YOUR TICKETS**

**Name of child/ren:**

**Number of tickets required (maximum of 4 in total, please)**

- **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2pm** -----
- **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 6pm** -----

**Please return this slip, with any donations you wish to make, in a sealed envelope to school. The tickets will be given to you once this has been received.**