Newsletter

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CLOVER HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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A Special Thank You for Our Christmas Tree

We are delighted that our Christmas tree is due to arrive today. As always, it has been very generously donated by the **Riffert family** from **Lamesley Farms**. Their son, Conan, attended Clover Hill until moving on to Year 7 in 2025, and we are extremely grateful for their continued support of our school. If you are looking for a Christmas tree this year, we would highly recommend a visit to Silver Hills, where Lamesley Farms has an amazing selection of reasonably priced trees to choose from. Visit their website: https://www.lamesleyfarm.co.uk/

The staff team are off to Edinburgh on the train this weekend to browse the Christmas market and do some Christmas shopping… hopefully there are no delays on our return journey so we are back in time for school on Monday!! Ho,ho,ho!

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Holden

Celebration Assembly

Well done to Thea in Year 5 who is this week's 'top Dojo-er'. Once again, the top skill being celebrated this week is Responsible – everyone is on task! That's brilliant to hear!

Students

1	Thea	17
2	Ruby G	15
3	Alex E	15
4	Jonah D	13
5	Elysia	12

Skills

1	on task - Responsible Schoolwide	124

Parent Governor Ballot

A huge thank you to all of the parents who have put themselves forward to become our new Parent Governor. We are incredibly lucky to have such a supportive school community, with parents who are willing to give their time and help shape the future of our school. If you have not yet done so, please cast your vote using the Microsoft Forms link that was emailed to you. Remember, there is **one vote per parent**. We appreciate every candidate's willingness to get involved in school life and wish them all the very best.

Whickham Christmas Lights Switch-On

On Tuesday evening, our Mini Health Champions and School Councillors proudly represented Clover Hill at the Whickham Christmas Lights Switch-On. Joining children from other cluster primary schools, they helped bring festive cheer to the village by singing Christmas carols around the Christmas tree. The event was made even more special by a visit from celebrity guest **Bella Bluebell**. It was a wonderful evening that certainly helped us all get into the Christmas spirit.

Christmas Jumpers

Pre-loved Christmas jumpers will be on a table on the playground on Monday morning – please feel free to help yourself.

Christmas gift wrap donation

Thank you to everyone who has already sent donations into school. We are incredibly grateful for your support. To make the event a success, we still need around 80 more items. If you are able to help and have not yet donated, please consider sending in an unwanted gift or a nearly new, unused item that a child can choose as a special gift for someone else. Every donation makes a difference.

Follow Us on Facebook

We are keen to continue raising the profile of Clover Hill within our local community and would love your support. Please follow our Facebook page and share our posts on your own social media accounts to help us build our audience and showcase the fantastic things happening in school. For safeguarding reasons, we will not be sharing photographs of children on Facebook. We will continue to use ClassDojo to share photographs and updates directly with families.

Parents' Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended Parents' Evening this week. It was wonderful to meet with so many families and celebrate the excellent progress being made by our pupils. These conversations are a valuable opportunity to share how well children are doing in school and discuss practical ways that parents and carers can support learning at home. Working together helps ensure that every child has the opportunity to thrive and reach their full potential.

Diary Dates

Thursday 3rd December
Whole School Pantomime at Consett Empire Theatre. School uniform to be worn.

Monday 7 December - 3.30-5pm
Christmas Cinema Club

Tuesday 8th December/ Wednesday 9th December/Thursday 10th December
KS1 Christmas Sing along
Parents are invited to join us for coffee and biscuits from 9am. The children will join us from 9.30am for a Christmas sing-a-long. Ticket information to follow. KS1 children are to wear Christmas jumpers/outfits for all three days.

Friday 11 December
Christmas Gift Wrap Event

Monday 14th December
9.15 KS2 Carol Service rehearsal

Tuesday 15th December – KS1, Y3/Y4. Thursday 17th December – Y5/Y6
Christmas Parties – children to come into school wearing party clothes.

Wednesday 16th December
Christmas Lunch Day

Friday 18th December
KS2 Christmas Carol Service. 9.15am Parents are invited back to school to join us for mince pies and a hot drink afterwards.