



Cowling Community  
Primary School  
Weekly Newsletter  
Friday 7th December



Dear Parents and Carers,

An enormous thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Fair yesterday. We are so grateful to everyone who donated items, served on stalls, helped organise activities and who came along to support us. The PTFA did an incredible job with the raffle and organising the visiting stallholders. We hope to have made an absolutely record breaking amount of approximately £1,000! This really is an amazing achievement for such a small school. The funds raised will help us continue to offer a rich curriculum and as diverse a range of experiences to the children as we possibly can. As families will appreciate, costs never seem to decrease only increase and the cost of hiring a bus for a school trip is now in the region of £500 so every penny raised really does count. Thank you for supporting Cowling School.

There were many lucky raffle winners and hopefully you have been contacted if you were a winner yesterday. School cook Mrs Akeroyd had an impossible job judging our bake off but this year's star bakers are Ciara and Olivia Barton with their festive reindeer buns. I thought they all looked amazing.

Recently the hall has been filled with the sound of our youngest children rehearsing for their nativity "Rodney the Stable Rat". It is always so lovely to hear them singing but as you can imagine it is no easy task to get all the children in the right places and doing the right things at the right time! I am very much looking forward to seeing the performances on Tuesday (11th) and Wednesday (12th) next week. We would be grateful if Class 1 parents were able to come along on Tuesday and Class 2 parents on Wednesday, to ensure there is space for everyone in the hall.

On Tuesday half of our Year 5 children were invited to join High Adventure on a caving day at Ribblehead. Their faces were a real picture when they returned as they were absolutely buzzing! A huge thank you to High Adventure and to Mrs Wilson for accompanying the children. We are hoping for fine weather on Monday when our next group will venture underground. This is an amazing experience for the children and one I know they will always remember. Fingers crossed the weather improves! Speaking of the weather—yesterday Mrs Mercer, Mrs Pociacha and their team of Class 4 gardeners, braved the torrential rain to plant fruit trees generously donated by the family of Ethan Wakeman. I know the children are looking forward to seeing them grow and bear fruit. Thank you so much.

On Thursday next week Mrs Akeroyd and Mrs Ashby will once again be creating a delicious Christmas lunch for well over a hundred children. It makes my efforts at cooking Christmas lunch for my family seem extremely tame in comparison! They do a fantastic job and I know the lunch will be very much appreciated by us all.

Next Friday we are holding our Christmas Carol Service at Holy Trinity Church at 2.45pm. Please come along if you can. On Sunday the Methodist Church holds its Christmas Trees and Carol service at St Andrew's in the centre of the village from 11.15am to 12.00pm and everyone is welcome.

Wishing you a very happy weekend and thank you again for supporting Cowling School.

With best wishes,  
Susan Marshall  
(Headteacher)



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# Caving Adventure



Dates  
for your  
DIARY

**Monday 10th December**— Y5 caving

**Tuesday 11th December**—Nativity 6pm (C1 parents)

**Wednesday 12th December**—Nativity 6pm (C2 parents)

**Thursday 13th December**—School Christmas Lunch.

**Friday 14th December**—Carols in Holy Trinity Church  
2.45pm

**Monday 17th December**—Christmas Movie Night. 3.30pm

**Tuesday 18th December**—KS2 Party

**Thursday 20th December**—KS1 Party

**Thursday 20th December**—School closes for Christmas  
3.30pm

**Tuesday 8th January 2019**—School opens for Spring Term.

**Pupils of the week awarded for descriptive writing, effort, handwriting, maths and spelling.**

**Class 1:** Billie Dudman and Melissa Waite.

**Class 2:** Phoebe Bairstow and Harrison Dalby.

**Class 3:** Ruby Dudman and Will Clements-Nauman.

**Class 4:** Petronille Devynck and Daisy Brouard.

**Class 5:** Chloe Beddoes and Sarah Stublely.



**Happy Birthday to:**

**Tom and Elena Hooper.**

**From all your friends at  
Cowling Primary School**



## Rodney the Stable Rat

Get set to be transported to Bethlehem next week with one of the highlights of the Cowling year — our nativity which this year tells the story of one of the smallest animals to be found in the stable. Children in classes one and two are working extremely hard to learn their lines and their songs and are sounding fantastic. The performances take place on Tuesday (11th) for Class 1 parents and on Wednesday (12th) for Class 2 parents starting at 6pm. Please could your child arrive at school at 5.40pm. Thank you.

Please check your child has their correct uniform and PE kit in school each day. We would be grateful if parents could ensure their children wear school shoes not trainers. Thank you.

**SCHOOL  
UNIFORMS**

*Holy Trinity & St Andrew's  
Cowling churches working together*  
**Christmas Services for All Ages**  
**Sunday 9th December 2018**  
**11.15am - 12.00 noon**  
**Community 'Trees & Carols'**  
*St Andrew's Methodist Church*  
*See the decorated trees and sing some  
well-known Christmas carols*  
*Contact Susanna Platt: 07904 883288*