



Dates for your diary

Xmas Holidays
Break up
normal time on
Friday 21
December and
return to school
Monday 7 Jan

Maybe
Christmas
He Thought
Doesn't Come
From A Store
Maybe
Christmas
Perhaps Means
A Little Bit More



Winter Wonderland



It was great to see so many of you at the Winter Wonderland on Saturday 15 December. Father Christmas had such a busy day enjoying breakfast, reading stories and then afternoon tea – let's hope he recovers in time to deliver all those presents. I'm sure you will agree that, yet again, the Friends of Bothal did a fantastic job in organising this event.

Christmas Performances

Parents of children in Nursery and Little Learners enjoyed a festive 'stay and play' and sing-a-long whilst Reception and KS1 provided us with a wonderful performance of 'The Landlord's Cat'. Year 3 & 4 entertained us with their production of 'Celebrations from Around the World' whilst Years 5 & 6 gave a memorable performance of 'Ghosts of Christmas Past'. Well done to all of the pupils and staff involved.

Church Visit

Thank you to Father Chris at the Holy Sepulchre Church for a lovely service on 11 December for our lower site children and 13 December for our upper site children. It's nice to take the time to remember the true meaning of Christmas.

Theatre Visit

On Friday 14 December families from both Central and Bothal Primary schools enjoyed the Cinderella pantomime at the Tyne Theatre in Newcastle. It was lovely to see both schools enjoying the festivities together.

Ashington Christmas Lights Switch-on

Due to the extreme weather forecast the event was regrettably scaled down, however, as part of the switch-on seven new Christmas lighting features were unveiled this year. The designs were from local school children who entered the annual competition organised by Ashington Town Council. The winning designs have been placed near the Christmas Tree and include a 'cracking' cracker by Jessica Reed from Bothal Upper and a gingerbread man by Ella Nicholson from Bothal Lower. Well done to both girls for their fabulous designs.

Congratulations

Thank you to all the parents who filled in a questionnaire on parents' evening. All completed forms were entered into our prize draw and the lucky winner of the £25 Asda gift voucher is the Jago family. Well done.

Merry Christmas

From all the staff and pupils at Bothal Primary School, may we take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and wish you all a very happy Christmas and prosperous 2019.

