



Bowness-on-Solway Primary School Newsletter

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NEWSLETTER CHANGE

As part of our environmental awareness, **this will be the final newsletter to be issued in paper copy.**

The next newsletter onwards will be sent out electronically. Please ensure that we have the correct email address(es) for you – are you currently receiving school emails?

We will also now send out the bulk of our communications in this way. This includes most of the letters that we issue. The exception will be where a reply slip is required, e.g. for educational visits.



Sustainability & Responsibility Medal (SRM) Challenge

I have sent out a letter by email, challenging our pupils to do something environmentally friendly over the Christmas break. We look forward to seeing what you do to help save the planet!

Upcoming Dates For Your Diary

Wed 4th January:	Spring term begins
Mon 9th January:	After school clubs start
Mon 9th January:	Kestrels visit to Tullie House
Thu 12th January:	Key stage 1 indoor athletics event at Nelson Thomlinson
Sat 14th January (pm):	CUFC vs. Newport
Wed 18th January:	Samba Bamba workshop for all pupils
Fri 20th January:	<i>Dream Jobs</i> session for Y2-6 session with Bill from Doosan.com
Thu 26th January:	Y5-6 tag rugby event at Nelson Thomlinson

Happy Christmas

On behalf of all of our super staff, I would like to wish our pupils & families, governors and the whole community a wonderful Christmas and New Year. Please have fun whilst staying safe! We look forward to welcoming all of our children back to school on **Wednesday 4th January** when the spring term begins.

Christmas Performances

How wonderful to see our pupils treading the boards and showing off their acting skills! I'm always impressed by how well Bowness School children project their voices and put character into their roles through expression – verbally and physically. The laughs and the rapturous rounds of applause were well-deserved.

Online Safety

This is such a vitally important thing to consider so that we can keep our children safe – especially as they may be receiving devices for Christmas. I have emailed out some useful resources for you to look at. Please let me know if you haven't received these or if you require any assistance with any of it.



VERY Special Visitor – Monday 19th December

'Twas the afternoon before the last day of term, and I was just settling down for my usual afternoon nap in my office when I was startled by a sudden BUMP on the school roof! "What on Earth was that!?" I pondered. BUMP! It happened again.

Well, upon sprinting outside to investigate, my gaze fell upon several reindeer and a large sleigh containing a broad, bearded gent in a bright red suit. "Surely not!?" I questioned.

It was him! What a joy to welcome the actual, real Father Christmas to our school! He stumbled in, full of merriment, distributing gifts to all of our children. This was truly a special event. The little ones were mesmerised!

Thanks to the man himself, and to Mrs Clause who made this day magical for our children.

ATTENDANCE

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This is a challenging time of year with illness inevitably spreading around. Children who are sick or contagious should of course be kept off school. However, it's great to see the effort being made to otherwise come in.

Week beginning 12th December

Owls: 83% Ospreys: 93% Kestrels: 96%