

Sowerby Community Primary School

'Sowing the seeds of success: growing courageous learners'

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Dear Parents,

Academy Consultation

The consultation process for school to join Elevate Multi-Academy Trust closed on Friday 3rd November. The additional meeting was attended by governors 2 parents and 4 local residents. The CEO of Elevate Mr Nigel Ashley addressed any questions and queries along with Governors and myself. Following the stakeholder consultation which ran from 25th September 2017 to 3rd November 2017 (including the additional 2 week period allowed), the Governing Body has fully considered the feedback received, and has therefore agreed to continue the process to convert to academy status and join Elevate MAT, subject to on-going due diligence. The target date for conversion is 1st January 2018. The school will be known as Sowerby Primary Academy.

Dinner Money

Following our request that dinner money be sent into school on a Monday we still have not managed to encourage everyone to do this. Therefore we ask again and hope you can support us. Thank you in advance.

Applying For A Primary School Place For Your Child

If you are the parent or carer of a child living in North Yorkshire, who is eligible to start primary school in September 2018 (born between 01.09.13 and 31.08.14 inclusive) you will find all the information you need to apply for a school place at www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions. Online forms must be submitted by 15th January 2018. Please share this information with any friends or relatives who also have children due to start school in September 2018. Thank you

Poppies On Sale

Poppies are now on sale in school along with other items ranging from wrist bands to flexi rulers. We ask for a minimum donation of 10p for a poppy but the other items have got fixed prices ranging from 50p - £1. All money raised goes to the Poppy Appeal which supports servicemen and women and their families. Thank you

Christmas Puddings For Sale

FOSS will again be selling Christmas puddings to raise funds. The puddings are delicious and come from the same company that produce puds for Fortnum and Mason, with the added bonus that they have a personalised label with "Merry Christmas from Sowerby School". The individual puddings are £2.50 and make great gifts. They will be on sale at the pantomime.

F.O.S.S Social Family Event – ‘Aladdin’ the Pantomime – Live theatre in school

This year FOSS has booked ‘Aladdin’ the pantomime on the 10th November at 6.30pm (doors open at 6.15pm). There will also be drinks and sweets on sale. We do hope you will join us. It is a wonderful opportunity for families to share the fun of live theatre. See you there!

Children in Need Day

Children can come dressed in spots for a 50p donation on Friday 17th November to support Children In Need. Thank you.

Cake Stall

Emerald class cake stall will be held on Friday 17th November at 3.30pm in the school hall. The class that sells the most cakes per capita will be treated to afternoon tea with a parent at the end of the summer term. Please come along and support us. All money goes into FOSS funds to fund extra school visits free for you and your children.

Thirsk Falcons FC Girls Only Training

Thirsk Falcons FC is to launch a girls only training session from Saturday 11th November as part of girls football week. This will take place at Thirsk Athletic Club at 10.30am. Turn up and play, free introductory sessions, all ages welcome from 6 years upwards. For further information please contact gemmaacalvert@icloud.com or scarlettadukes@hotmail.com.

Website Updates

The following updates have been added to the website: newsletter, diary dates and gallery photos

Dates for your diary

10th November – FOSS pantomime 6.30pm (doors open 6.15pm)

17th November – Emerald (AM) class cake stall

17th November – Children In Need Day

23rd-30th November – Book Fair

1st December – Christmas Fair 3.30pm

12th December – Year 1 /2 production 6pm

13th December – Year 1/2 production 2pm

15th December – Reception classes Christmas Carol Concert 3pm

15th December – Sapphire (AS) class cake stall

22nd December – Christmas service St Oswald’s Church 9.30am

22nd December – School closes for Christmas break 2.30pm

9th January – school re-opens for spring term 8.50am

Attendance last week

Whole school attendance 95.9%

Unauthorised absence 0.4%

Best class attendance: Amber class 98.9%. Well

done.

Yours sincerely,



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Head Teacher