



'We lift our eyes to the hills'

December Newsletter 2023

Happy Christmas!



As we approach the end of the Michaelmas term, it is with great pleasure that I reflect on the remarkable term we have had at Selside School.

We're thrilled to share the exciting progress in our outdoor learning provision. The introduction of our new outdoor learning shed, accompanied by the addition of a shave horse, has elevated the children's outdoor experiences. The "Enjoy Discoverers" group took the lead in a collaborative venture with our friends at Lindale, and we're delighted to announce that even the fairies have found a new home in our outdoor space!

Our School's stage recently came alive with the magic of our Nativity production and Christingle Service. Witnessing the children's talents shine, especially through their beautiful singing, was a heartwarming experience for our entire community. The power of creative expression and collaboration was truly showcased, leaving lasting memories for us.

Our dynamic School Council has been hard at work enhancing the School's gardening provisions and contributing to meaningful projects. From crafting

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decorations for Remembrance Sunday to active participation in the South Lakland Pupil Parliament. Additionally, their efforts in fundraising for Children in Need reflect their commitment to social responsibility.

A heartfelt thank you to our dedicated staff for their unwavering commitment to our school's growth and success. I also extend my gratitude to all parents and carers for your continued support, which plays a crucial role in providing the best learning opportunities for our children.

Christmas Decorations



One of my favourite Christmas traditions is Mary coming in to show the children how to make Christmas, floral decorations. Please remember to water the oasis and save the plastic dishes to use next year!

Sports provision

This half term the children have enjoyed Running Club on Tuesday, Sports Club on a Wednesday and Ski Club on a Friday. A big thank you for all the people that make these clubs possible. Ski club will start on **5th January**. Whereas, our running and sports club will start again after February half term. We have a Cooking Club starting in the new year organised by Mrs Leeming. Letter to follow soon!



Please can you make sure that the correct PE clothes and trainers are in school for Tuesday morning and will be sent home on Friday afternoons.

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P.E. clothes are needed and should include gym shoes or trainers, (black or white), white T-shirt, black shorts, P.E hoodie with logo and a P.E. bag in which to keep them. All articles should be clearly marked with your child's name.

The PE hoodies are just to be worn in PE sessions whilst the school jumper are to be worn the rest of the time. Please label all school uniform!

SSA

Thank you so much for your generous support. The SSA worked so hard to put the fair together. The Christmas Fair made a fantastic £ 364.00 which will all benefit the education of the children in our school. Thank you so much!

Exciting things to come...

Bingo - 19th Jan (Memorial Hall)

Swimathon - 16th Mar (Kendal Leisure Centre)

Quiz - 19th April (Memorial Hall)

Potter The Fell - 1st June

Tepee Tots

Tepee tots have been very popular this term. Tepee Tots will restart on **Friday 23rd February** to avoid the cold weather. If you know any friends or family members who would like to join our sessions or look around our provision, just get them to contact the School office- admin@selside.cumbria.sch.uk

Keeping up to date for the new Year

- After school clubs starts back on the 3rd January.
- Please let us know if there are any changes to pick up arrangements.
- Please make sure orders for lunch are booked the day before.

As we approach the festive season, I want to wish everyone a peaceful and joyful holiday. May the New Year bring continued growth, success, and happiness to each member of our Selside family.

Best wishes

June Lowther

Dates for the diary

3rd January - School starts back

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