



# Newsletter Friday 19th December 2025

## End of Term Message

What a fantastic Autumn term we've had at Kingmoor Nursery and Infant School!

Our pupils have been working incredibly hard and making significant progress in their learning. It's been inspiring to see their enthusiasm.

Our children have taken part in community events, competitions, and other exciting experiences. I am so proud of all our children's achievements and we are already planning an engaging and exciting curriculum for Spring 2026.

I want to extend my thanks to all our Kingmoor Families. Your ongoing kindness and support makes such a difference to our school. One of the many examples of this was the support we received for our Reindeer Run supporting Jigsaw.

We were blown away by the huge amount of donations and the children loved taking part. Thank you for being an essential part of our school community.

Mrs N. Corfield

Reindeer Run Total....

# AMAZING!

WOW - you have raised £6380.90 for the local children's hospice Jigsaw!

This is a huge amount and Jigsaw were delighted when they shared the grand total with us. Thank you so much to all the children and their families for supporting this charity.



Christmas Dinner



A BIG thank you to our kitchen staff who prepared, cooked and served a delicious traditional Christmas Dinner on Wednesday which was enjoyed by all the children and staff!

## School Lunch Booking

There are a couple of changes to the school menus starting in the new year.

Due to this you will not be able to make your children lunch bookings until after the end of this term.

**Please ensure you book your child's lunches before the start of the new term, thank you.**

## Christmas Window Wander

Thank you to everyone who braved the rain and came to join our Window Wander after school!

We raised £120.00







## Christmas Jumper Day

School has been feeling very festive this week finishing with all the children and staff wearing Christmas jumpers or something Christmassy today!

Thank you for your contributions for CASH FOR KIDS - Christmas Mission, we have raised £158.00!













Help us to rescue our Willow Tunnels:  
Workshops

Willow Weaving



You may have seen that we have two Willow Tunnels on site which are desperately in need of some tender loving care.

PLEASE HELP and come along to one of our Willow Weaving Workshops at school on 12th Jan and 2nd Feb at 1pm. These workshops are for adults only but any adults over the age of 16 years are welcome! The more the merrier!

We will be supported by an expert Willow Weaver and landscape gardener.

Each session will start with a Sausage sandwich and Tea/Coffee/Hot chocolate/ cold drinks and biscuits during the afternoon. Willow Weaving supports Mental Wellbeing, Creativity and you can learn a new skill whilst meeting new people. If you, or any friends/family members, are to join us please complete the attached form.

## Year 2 Christmas Performance

Well done to our fabulous Year 2 children for their excellent nativity performances this week. We hope you enjoyed watching us!









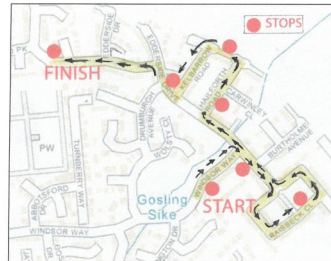
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# SANTA'S SLEIGH

AT EDDERSIDE DRIVE

THURSDAY 18th DECEMBER

STARTING AT 4.30pm



ALL TIMES APPROXIMATE

4.30pm Windsor Way

5.00pm Edderside Dr

5.30pm Raisebeck Close

6.00pm Garsdale Drive

6.30pm Newfield Park

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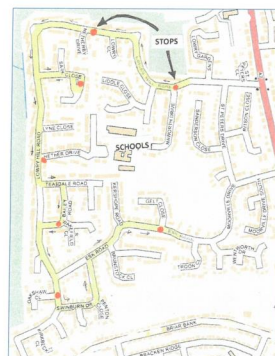
# SANTA'S SLEIGH

AT LOWRY HILL

CHRISTMAS EVE, WEDNESDAY

24th DECEMBER

STARTING AT 4.30pm



ALL TIMES APPROXIMATE

4.30pm Naworth Drive

5.30pm Sark Close

6.15pm Bailey Road

6.30pm Swinburn Drive

7.00pm Esk Road

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## Reception September 2026

If your child is due to start Reception in September 2026, please remember to make your application for school by 15th January 2026 by following this link:

<https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/schools-and-education/apply-school-place-or-change-schools/apply-reception-place>



Cumberland Council



Parents/carers are responsible for applying for a school place by **15 January 2026**

### Starting School

Children born between  
**1 September 2021**  
and **31 August 2022**  
can start school in **September 2026**

You can apply online at: [www.cumberland.gov.uk](http://www.cumberland.gov.uk)  
or contact: 01228 221582  
or email [school.admissions@cumberland.gov.uk](mailto:school.admissions@cumberland.gov.uk)

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# Online Safety Newsletter - December 2025



Kingmoor Nursery and Infant School



Knowledge City Learning Centres

## Online Safety Newsletter January 2026

### Instagram Teen Accounts - update

You must be over 13 years of age to set up an account. Instagram is used to post photos and videos as well as send direct messages, make voice/video calls, and send disappearing messages.

Teen accounts are automatically set up for users aged 13 – 17. Instagram have announced that teens will now see content similar to content that they would see in a PG-13 movie.

Instagram have also updated their policies around content to include hiding or not recommending posts with strong language, certain risky stunts, and additional content that could encourage potentially harmful behaviors\*

Finally, for parents who would like to apply more stringent settings, Instagram are also introducing a new, stricter setting called 'Limited Content.' This setting will mean your child is not able to see, leave, or receive comments under posts as well.

You can read about the updates here: <https://about.instagram.com/blog/announcements/instagram-teen-content-safety-pg-13>



### Playing games online

Does your child play games online? We have outlined some risks that you should consider:

#### Chatting to strangers / risk of inappropriate language

Some games will allow communication via text chat, direct messages or chatting. Some games do offer the ability to switch communication off and/or the option to restrict bad language, so make sure settings appropriate to your child are applied. If your child is playing online with strangers, then you need to be aware that there is a risk of grooming. Some games do allow you to restrict communication to 'friends only,' however you would need to monitor that their online friends are real life friends. It can be difficult to moderate online chat so ensure your child knows how to block and report other players.



#### Cyberbullying

It can be very easy online for children to behave in a way that they would not if they were face to face. Talk to your child about how they speak to others online and encourage them to talk to people online with respect. Other forms of cyberbullying whilst playing games could be excluding others, criticising the ability of other players and ganging up on others.

#### In app purchases

Many games include the option to purchase additional items/ subscriptions so ensure you do not have payment cards saved or set up restrictions/ a password to approve purchases.

#### What can I do?

- **Set up parental controls** - as well as setting up appropriate parental controls through the game's settings, ensure you have set them up on the console/device your child is playing on.
- **Check age ratings** - before buying the game, check that your child is old enough to play it. All games will either have a PEGI rating or be rated by the App Store/Google Play.
- **Chat to your child** regularly about the risks above so that they are aware of what can happen online and remind them to always talk to you or a trusted adult if they have any concerns

#### Further information

CEOP provides further guidance and support regarding this topic: <https://www.ceop.education.co.uk/parents/articles/gaming/>

### Snapchat

Snapchat is a popular social media app used for messaging and sharing photos and videos. You must be 13+ to sign up. Users can send messages (snaps) to others that are only seen for a set time, and users can also upload snaps to stories, which disappear after 24 hours.

#### Key Concerns

There are potential risks such as:

- the risk of your child viewing content that is not appropriate for their age.
- location sharing (via Snap Map).
- cyberbullying.
- contact from strangers.
- excessive screen time – children may have a fear of missing out (FOMO) as well as pressure to maintain "streaks".
- "disappearing" messages can lead to more risky behaviour and a "false sense of security." These messages could be screenshot or another device used to take a photo, so they're not actually deleted as the sender believes. The image could then be shared.
- in app purchases.

#### Parental Controls / Safety settings

Snapchat's Family Centre is a set of parental controls and includes tools such as allowing you to:

- see who your child is friends with.
- see who your child has sent messages (not the contents of conversations though), photos or videos to in the last week.
- view a list of group members for groups that your child has been active in.
- restrict content to limit access.
- report any accounts that you are concerned about.

You can learn more about Family Centre here:

<https://parents.snapchat.com/parental-controls?lang=en-GB>

If your child is using Snapchat, then make sure the appropriate privacy settings are set up, including who can see their location and who can contact them. Also ensure your child knows how to block and report other users if necessary:

<https://help.snapchat.com/hc/en-gb/articles/7012343074580-How-to-change-my-privacy-settings-on-Snapchat>

#### More information

For more detailed advice and information:

- <https://parentzone.org.uk/article/snapchat>
- <https://parents.snapchat.com/safeguards-for-teens>

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### Family Smart Start

Family Smart Start is a free toolkit designed to help you and your child navigate the milestone of getting their first phone. The toolkit provides support on how to set up the new phone, how to talk to your child about digital safety and a template family agreement. Find out more here

<https://familysmartstart.com/>

### Cyber security

Cyber security is the process of protecting your information and data whilst online against scams and cyber-attacks. Cyber-attacks are the process of maliciously targeting individuals or organisations to disable networks or steal data for example.

The National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) have an area on their website with guidance to help protect you and your family. The guidance includes how to manage your digital footprint online information about anti-virus software as well as top tips for staying online such as:

- Using a strong password
- Setting up 2step verification

You can find the resources here:

<https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/section/advice-guidance/you-your-family>

The NCSC also provide advice on what you should do if you are the target of scam or cyber-attack. Find out more here:

<https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/section/respond-recover/you>

Would you like to read this newsletter in a different language? You can use the translate tool on our web version: <https://www.knowledgcity.org.uk/january-2026-primary/>

## Talents & Achievements

Well done children for your achievements this week!



## Stars of the Week!

This half term our Learning power is 'Imagining'



Nursery Stars: Freya T Emily F Jack R Carter J

Nursery Lunchtime Awards: Maisie W Millie D Chester O Asher A

Class 1 Star: Sienna S

Lunchtime Award: Bonnie S

Class 2 Star: Robyn

Lunchtime Award: Scarlett S

Class 3 Star: Seb

Lunchtime Award: Jayden S

Class 4 Star: Aiden

Lunchtime Award: Yasmin S

Class 5 Star: Roman

Lunchtime Award: Noble

Class 6 Star: Mya

Lunchtime Award: Lucas H

Class 7 Star: Harper

Lunchtime Award: Sebastian

Class 8 Star: Isla B

Lunchtime Award: Noah G

Class 9 Star: Alice

Lunchtime Award: April H

## School Attendance

The attendance in school this week has been 93.3%

## Calendar Dates

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 2 live comprehension session	
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 live phonics session	
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception live phonics session	
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term	
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	First day of term	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of term	

## Menu for week commencing 5th January 2026

	Choice 1	Choice 2	Pudding	
Monday	<b>Kingmoor Kitchen prepared Creamy Cheesy Pasta or Tomato Pasta</b> served with cheesy or tomato & basil sauce, garlic bread and seasonal vegetables	<b>Freshly Made Sandwich</b> Filled with a choice of tuna, ham or cheese served with <u>fresh</u> salad	<b>Vanilla Ice Cream &amp; Fruit Salad</b> or <b>Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt</b>	Week 1 Jan 26
Tuesday	<b>Turkey Dinner Or Quorn Fillet Dinner</b> served with <u>potatoes</u> and roasts, veg with gravy.	<b>Freshly Made Wrap</b> Filled with a choice of tuna, ham or cheese served with <u>fresh</u> salad	<b>Chocolate Brownie</b> or <b>Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt</b>	
Wednesday	<b>Pork Sausage or 'Meat Free' Sausage</b> served with waffles and baked beans	<b>Freshly Made Roll</b> Filled with a choice of tuna, ham or cheese served with <u>fresh</u> salad	<b>Golden Cookie</b> Or <b>Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt</b>	
Thursday	<b>Crispy Chicken or Crispy Quorn Fillet</b> served with seasoned potatoes and salad sticks	<b>Freshly Made Sandwich</b> Filled with a choice of tuna, ham or cheese served with <u>fresh</u> salad	<b>Sticky Toffee Pudding, Toffee Sauce &amp; Cream</b> or <b>Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt</b>	
Friday	<b>'Fishy Friday' or Cheese Whirls</b> served with skinny fries, spaghetti hoops and vegetables	<b>Freshly Made Wrap</b> Filled with a choice of tuna, ham or cheese served with <u>fresh</u> salad	<b>Mousse (choc/toffee/strawberry)</b> or <b>Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt</b>	