

Weekly Wrap-Up

Friday 12th December 2025

Important Info

[Changes to next week's menu - click here](#)

Parent Volunteers are needed for Tuesday 16th's Carol service at St Laurence's Church. If you are able to walk with pupils from school to church, and back, please contact the school office on 01723 628517.

A huge thank you to the Friends of Newby and Scalby who organised and ran this year's Christmas Fair and thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets, attended the fair and sent prize. It was a wonderful event.

A fantastic £2499 was raised for school funds!!!

Diary Dates

Dates For Your Calendar

Autumn Term

Next Week

- 15.12.25 EYFS Nativity @ 2:30pm**
- 16.12.25 5S Swimming Lesson**
- 16.12.25 Y3/4 Carol Service @ 10:00am**
- 16.12.25 Y5/6 Carol Service @ 1:30pm**
- 17.12.25 Y1 Carol Service (in school) 9:30am**
- 17.12.25 Y2 Carol Service (in school) 2:30pm**
- 19.12.25 Christmas Party Clothes**
- 19.12.25 Christmas Lunch**
- 19.12.25 Class Parties from 2pm**
- 19.12.25 School Closes at normal time**

For the future

- 05.01.26 School re-opens after Christmas Break**
- 09.01.25 School Closed - Staff Training**

update from the head

Hello everyone,



We have had Pantomimes at the SJT, a Christmas Fair, rehearsals for the EY Nativity, a Phonics Workshop, Christmas jumper day, Christmas by Candlelight at Dallowgill and much much more. What a week! I simply have to start with a massive THANK YOU to the Newby and Scalby Friends for helping the school raise an incredible £2,499. This is not possible without the support and enthusiasm from our school community, so thank you so much for helping us raise this astounding figure. I was thrilled to see so many of you come and learn more about how phonics and early reading are being taught in school. Thank you to Mrs Allenby for sharing her enthusiasm and knowledge about this very important stage of our children's reading journey.

Christmas by Candlelight took place at Dallowgill, where two of our year 6 children and Mrs O'Keeffe met up with other promising singers and musicians to perform to parents and carers from an array of Delta schools. Well done and thank you to all involved.

The whole school, from EY to Y6, ventured to the SJT to enjoy the panto. Thank you to Mrs Bland for her amazing attention to detail when sorting all logistics for the trip. Members of the SJT staff and public praised the children for their behaviour and how they represented the school impeccably. I was very proud indeed!

Thank you, as always, for your incredible support!

Mr Wriglesworth

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Winners**

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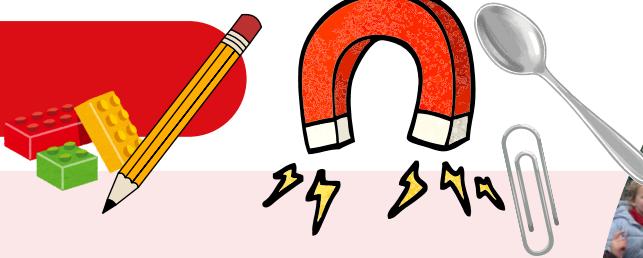
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Class 0E & 0S

We have had an exciting week this week! At the start of the week stick man went missing. We all made missing posters to help us find him. When we eventually, he was hiding on Miss Elliott's coat! We are not sure how he got there.

We have also been looking at magnets and what is magnetic and what isn't. The children did a great job sorting objects in the classroom using the magnets.

We are looking forward to seeing you all at our performance on Monday. The children have been working very hard and we think you will be very impressed.



Year 1

Class 1A & 1M

This week in writing, we have been text mapping our new story, Elf on the Shelf, and practicing writing sentences in the first person. We have been excited to see what our elves have been up to each night.

In Design Technology, we have made our own cars! We have used what we have learned to construct a vehicle with a chassis and axle. This was very tricky and we had to really stick at it and help each other.

In History, we explained how two different types of transport have changed over time and discussed the benefits of these changes. Miss Craggs and Mrs Allenby were amazed at how much we had remembered and how the facts we knew about the important people we had learnt about.



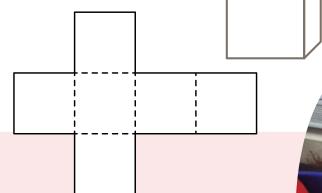
Year 2

Class 2CM & 2S

It has been a very busy week in Year 2! In Design and Technology, the children explored how to cut and assemble a cube. They then tried different joining techniques, including glue, Sellotape, parcel tape, paper clips, masking tape, and PVA glue, evaluating how strong each method was and how neat the finished product looked. Next week, the children will use these skills to help them design and make a house from 1666.

In reading, we have continued with *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark*. The children have explored how the character of Plop has developed throughout the story, from struggling to land successfully to floating down like a soft, white feather.

The children have now finished their history topic and celebrated by creating posters showing everything they had learned about the Great Fire of London, including the timeline of events and the famous people Samuel Pepys and Sir Christopher Wren. We were really impressed with how much they knew!



Year 3

Class 3M & 3S

We have had a great week this week, continuing to work hard as we come towards the end of a busy term.

It was a joy to take the children to the pantomime this week. Their behaviour was commented on by members of the Stephen Joseph staff as well as members of the public. Well done, everyone!

We have been focusing on division this week in maths, using the formal method. In writing, we have continued to work on our innovation of our defeating the monster story.

We have been looking into the religious beliefs of the Iron Age this week and learning about how people of the Stone Age would be buried with their prized possessions.

In design technology, we have been busy making our Iron Age houses. The children worked hard, figuring out problems along the way, and got some fantastic results.



Don't forget: library books need to be returned for those who took a book out using their own library card when we visited. Maybe you might swap it for a new one for the Christmas holidays?





Class 4GR & 4SR

Year 4 had a marvellous time at the pantomime on Thursday and we would just like to congratulate the children for their exemplary behaviour on trips, once again. We enjoyed our picnic in our classrooms on our return.

In Writing we have started our 'hot write' about 'Defeating the Monster. We look forward to reading the children's independent work with all of the dialogue features we have worked on.

In Maths we really enjoyed getting our head around logic problems and working out how many possible combinations of ice cream and toppings or pizzas and toppings there were. Fantastic job Year 4!

Our Geography work has seen us learning about the Hoover Dam and Lake Mead as well as the development of Las Vegas from a small desert town to the huge city it is today. We really enjoyed looking at pictures of how it has changed!



Year 5

Class 5BW & 5S



This week, Year 5 have begun to write their defeating the monster story, with the aim of making their reader feel scared and nervous. They brainstormed ideas for monsters including how they moved and what they ate!

In maths, we have continued to learn about fractions, comparing and ordering fractions by finding the common denominator.

In art we have been learning about the process of block printing using paint. We designed our own patterns on polystyrene blocks and printed them on to paper and fabric to compare the different tones and textures that were made.

The children had a wonderful time at the Stephen Joseph Theatre watching Sleeping Beauty! They joined in with the 'boos' and the 'it's behind yous' and had a jolly good time.

5S had their first swimming session where they were assessed and 5BW also had a great time dancing in PE, 'dancing by chance' to make a dance sequence - why not try this at home over Christmas?



Year 6

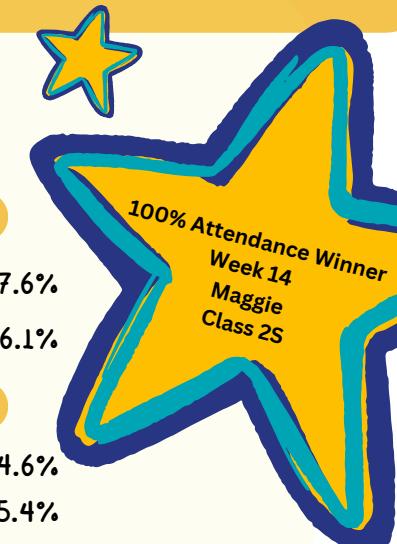
Class 6B & 60

This week in year 6, we have started our independent narrative using action and dialogue. The children have created some outstanding, and highly entertaining, pieces of work in the innovate phase of the Talk for Writing process and they are now using the learning to create their own; the description and figurative language have been excellent and we can't wait to read their independent work! In maths, we have started to learn about decimals, examining the value of numbers and rounding. We have also learned how Ally Sherrick uses specific verbs and short sentences to have an impact on the reader in reading.

In Art, we have been studying the work by Edward Marsden. In particular, the pieces he did capturing the landscape of Antarctica - the children have used inspiration from Marsden to create their own landscape piece, using watercolours. Finally, we have had a very Christmassy week this week - the Christmas Fair and a pantomime visit. It's beginning to look a lot like...



Attendance



Attendance matters.

Coming to school on time, every day is vital to achieving the best possible outcomes as well as learning good habits which will benefit everyone in the future. Below is this weeks' attendance.

EYFS

Miss Elliott	89.7%
Miss Scott	97%

Year 1

Mrs Allenby	94.3%
Mrs Tipple / Mrs McGuinness	93.1%

Year 2

Mrs Clayton / Mrs McGuinness	91%
Mrs Stubbings	95.8%

Year 3

Mrs Murphy	92.4%
Miss Scuffham	98.5%

Year 4

Mrs Gortzak / Mrs Rowe	97.6%
Mrs Smith / Mrs Rowe	96.1%

Year 5

Mr Bates / Mrs Winspear	94.6%
Mrs Sutton	95.4%

Year 6

Mr Bolton	94.8%
Mrs O'Keeffe	95.9%

Week 15 attendance winners

Congratulations to Miss Scuffham's Class



Sleeping Beauty @ SJT

A review

There are many reviews that show Stephen Joseph Theatre is loud, exciting and interactive as many people enjoy going there.

It started peaceful, with a touch of humour, then someone played Keeping Spirits High.

Sleeping Beauty is an original, yet enjoyable pantomime.

I would recommend this show to anyone who likes bright colours and wonderful songs.

With gifted actors, unfortunate villains and crazy animals, this pantomime is amazing!

All of us at Newby and Scalby had an amazing time!



Article by: Anna Dobson and Lois Lucas

The Wild Robot Projects

Reading Recommendation

Peter Brown

I would like to recommend The Wild Robot Protects.

It is the third book of the series, The Wild Robot. I enjoyed the book because of the word choice, the setting description and how the amazing main character explores the wonderful sea to protect her pet. It is a really good fantasy about how a robot and a bird get along.

The author is called Peter Brown and he has lots of other books, but I recommend the Wild Robot books to enjoy.

Some of the chapters are small. and a couple are 1 page long, but there is more description about the setting. There is 272 pages in the third book, 269 in the first book and 271 in the second.

This book is perfect for year 5 and year 6 children. Go and try it!

I give it a 5 star review!



By Jackson 5BW



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Other News

Menu week commencing 15th December 2025

Monday - Burger in a Bun
Tuesday - Chicken Curry
Wednesday - Fish Fingers - Change to usual menu
Thursday - Macaroni Cheese
Friday - Christmas Dinner - Change to usual menu

On Friday 19th December we will be serving Christmas Lunch, on this day there will be no sandwiches or jacket potatoes available. Pupils who do not wish to join us for Christmas Lunch should bring a packed lunch to school.

You do not need to pre-order a Christmas lunch. Christmas Lunch costs £2.85 and should be paid in advance via MCAS. Christmas Lunch will be free of charge for all pupils in receipt of Universal Infant Free School Meals (EYFS, Y1 & Y2) and pupils in KS2 in receipt of Free School Meals.



A huge thank you to Irton Garden Centre who have generously donated compost and plants to school for our new garden

THANK
YOU

Safeguarding

Ensuring our pupils are safe and well looked after is our key priority.



Sarah Tipple

Assistant Headteacher
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Helen Wardman

Inclusion Manager,
Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Tom Wriglesworth **Rebecca McGuinness**

Headteacher,
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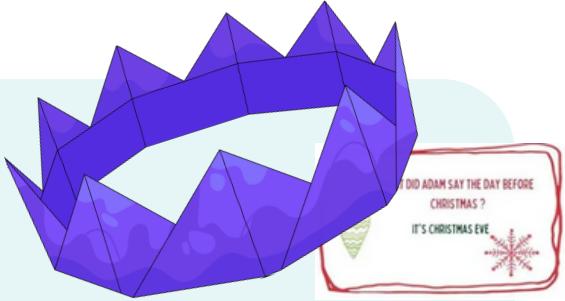
Class Teacher/
SENDCO
Deputy
Safeguarding Lead

All staff have received Safeguarding training to ensure that they can recognise signs and symptoms of abuse and also how to report/act if a disclosure is made.

Concerns about the safety or welfare of a child? **Contact us:** 01723 365686

Out of hours contact number: 0300 1312131

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