

Low Ash Primary School

December 2017 Newsletter

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Thank you for your generosity and support (times 3!)



What a fantastic response to the various charity events we have held over the last few weeks! **The Poppy Appeal** raised a brilliant **£445.32** for the Royal British Legion.

Following this, the **Children in Need** Bun Sale and non-uniform day was a huge success. We even beat last year's total, as an unbelievable **£874.62** was raised!



The Christmas Fair was very well attended, yet again; it was really good to see so many enjoying the stalls and games. In total, **£1396** was raised for school funds, which is the best total since 2004!

The money raised from the Fair will go towards improving resources in school for the children. The School Council will be helping to decide what the money will be spent on in the next few weeks.

Sports Results

Well done to both **Low Ash under 11 athletics teams**, who competed so well in the recent North and East Bradford Finals at Hanson against some very tough opposition. The B Team finished a creditable 6th place and the A Team actually won! They also keep up the long tradition of Low Ash getting into the Bradford Athletics Finals. These will be held at some point in February - we wish them well.



Carols By Candlelight (KS2)

A reminder that this will take place at St Cuthbert's Church on Thursday (14th) at 6.30pm. Please note that admission is **by ticket only** as places are limited due to health and safety regulations.

School Dinners Increase

Another reminder that, from January, the cost for a school meal has increased by Bradford Council (Facilities Management Catering) to £1.70. Nursery children who attend Low Ash all day will pay £1.50.



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Book Bag Request

Recently, some children have been bringing extra-large book bags into school from home. This is causing a problem as they don't fit into the children's storage trays in class and there is limited space elsewhere. Please can you try and ensure your child's book bag is of a reasonable size. Low Ash book bags are available from the school office at a cost of only £4.

Year 5 Maths Challenge

A team of four Year 5 mathematicians took part in an inter-schools Maths Challenge against several other schools from the Shipley area. They managed to finish in a very admirable 3rd place - congratulations to Megan, Alice, Justin and Gallagher for representing Low Ash so well.



Low Ash School Choir Performances



Our school choir has performed to several local churches and groups already this Christmas. However, a special venue was at Bradford Cathedral on Tuesday evening this week, as part of the Bradford Christmas Festival. This was particularly noteworthy, not only because it was at the Cathedral, but because only three primary schools in Bradford were selected to perform. Thank you to the choir members, Miss Hansen and Mr Ebbage for all their hard work at this busy time of the year.

Low Ash Has Even More Talent!

I'm proud to announce that more of our children have, yet again, shown how much varied talent they have. Six children in Year 3: Brooke, Aaron and Alex from 3N and Maisie, Hannah and Thomas from 3H, are about to exhibit their writing in the Enid Blyton display in City Library – congratulations to them all.

Also, well done to Alice from 5W, who was runner up in the T&A Christmas Card Competition which was open to all Bradford primary schools.



We actually had 11 designs in the final 24 too, which is very impressive.

What a great half term we have had for showcasing how capable our children are.



Finally, I'd like to wish you all a very 'Merry Christmas and Happy New Year'.

Have a wonderful holiday, whatever you are doing. We will see you all on **Tuesday 2nd January 2018** when we return.

Many thanks for your continued support, as we aim to ensure our children excel and enjoy their time at Low Ash.

Mr Terry Woollin (Headteacher)