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Derwent Hill Residential Visit

A weekend residential trip to Derwent Hill in the Lake District has been booked for Year 6 to visit on Friday 13th May for 2 nights. There will be lots of opportunities on offer including climbing, canoeing, gorge walking and high ropes. The cost is £125 includes transport, all food and activities, this is being subsidised through school fund. A £20 deposit is due by Friday 7th January 2022.



our learning!

Year 4 enjoyed a visit to the Centre of Life Newcastle where the children took part in a workshop all about lighting up the streets of Newcastle. This linked into their learning about electricity in science. Children enjoyed experimenting with creating different circuits to light up a light bulb and make a motor work. After the workshop the class enjoyed spending some time in all of the other attractions. We visited the space centre, planetarium, a lego exhibition, brain and creativity zone and enjoyed a live science show. It was definitely lots of fun and helped us with

Pupil Consent Forms

Can all parent/carers please ensure the pupil consent forms are returned to school with up to date details and levels of consent. It is also really important if parent/carers change telephone numbers or email addresses the school office is informed so records can be updated.

Attendance

Well done to Year 2 who won class of the month for November with 95.9%. Children were rewarded with a movie afternoon and treats. Autumn term attendance to date is 93.9%.

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Headteacher's Update

As you are aware, we had our Ofsted inspection on Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th November. The children were once again a real credit to us all. We had one inspector for two days. We are still awaiting our report and will update you all when it arrives in school. Thank you again for your support and sharing your views about our school with Ofsted. We look forward to continuing to build on our many successes and achievements in 2022.

Although very different to our usual celebrations, we have had a fantastic festive season at Blackfell. There are lots of photographs on the class pages on our school website for you to see what all of the children have been up to. These include Christmas activities, Christmas lunch and Christmas parties.

The children have all worked very hard this term and enjoyed many new learning experiences. Thank you all for your continuing support and contributions. I would also like to thank all of the staff at Blackfell who all work tirelessly to support the children to be the very best they can be.

We hope that you all have a lovely family Christmas and everyone at Blackfell wishes you a Merry Christmas and best wishes for a happy, healthy 2022.

We look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Wednesday 5th January 2022 following a staff training day.

Julia Watkins
Headteacher

Year 5 trip to the Centre for Life

Year 5 had a wonderful, informative and exciting visit to the Centre of Life in Newcastle. They took part in many activities: exploring the different parts of the museum, watching a science show, a visit to the Planetarium as well as a workshop in a laboratory – Surviving Antarctica, where they learnt about the cold and harsh climate there and tested materials for suitability using a range of scientific equipment. There were lots of questions raised and awe and wonder about the world around us, it was a truly memorable day for all!



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Christmas at Blackfell



Nursery and Reception visited Washington Art Centre to see Hansel and Gretel



Thank you to the school kitchen for ensuring staff and children enjoyed their traditional Christmas lunch. Everyone enjoyed the day wearing their Christmas jumpers. The day was finished off with a movie afternoon.



All children across school were treat to an ice-cream from the ice cream van. This was to say thank you to the children for all their hard work and positive attitude to learning this term.

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Mrs Watkins and all of the staff and governors wish you and all of your family a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for a happy and healthy 2022.

