



**Our Whole School Value this half term is **GRATITUDE**.**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who emailed suggestions for our Cogenhoe House Team names. We will be launching our new whole school house point reward system on the first day back in January, when your child will find out which house team they belong to and how they can earn house points for themselves and their team.

Following the Year 1 Christingle assembly on Friday, Christmas has arrived at Cogenhoe. The children performed for the local community at our Christmas carol and coffee morning on Tuesday, and have been busy practising for the Nativity and Carol Concert ready for next week.

We are all looking forward to the Christmas Fayre tomorrow and hope you can all join us from 5:00pm – 7:00pm. Please do check the diary dates below for all of the upcoming events that are happening before the Christmas break.

Mrs Duggleby

**Parent Governor Election**

Thank you to everyone who voted in the recent Parent Governor election. We received a total of 79 ballot papers and **Mr Wootton** won the election with the majority vote. Thank you to Mrs Smith for standing as a candidate and for her continued support to our school.

**Staffing Update**

After 17 years of dedicated service to the school, our Site Supervisor Mr Bygrave has decided he would like to pursue other ventures and not have to get up quite so early in the morning! We would like to thank him for his hard work and wish him the very best for the future. We are looking forward to Mr Bygrave helping out with our future gardening projects around the school.

Mrs Price has also had her final week at Cogenhoe Primary School this week, and we thank her for the fantastic support she has given to the children and staff over the past few years. Mrs Price will be very much missed by the children and staff, but we wish her all the best for the future.

We would also like to congratulate Mr and Mrs Perry on the birth of their baby daughter, who was born on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November. The whole family are doing well and enjoying their beautiful new arrival. Mr Perry is currently enjoying his paternity leave and will be joining us back at school next week.

## Cogenhoe Sport Report

### New Age Kurling Competition

Huge congratulations go to our Kurling team who took part in the New Age Kurling competition at Southfield School in Kettering on Tuesday. The children performed incredibly well and won the overall competition to progress into the county finals later on in the year.

The team of **Joshua Kings, Joshua Hollowell, Liam Morrissey** and **Carter Scott** came second in the group to qualify for the semi-finals where they beat Oakway. In the final they played excellently to beat St Peter's and the children can look forward to representing not only the school but the district in the finals. **Go Team Cogenhoe!**

### Football Tournament

Over the past few weeks our football team have been competing in a weekly tournament with other local schools at GOALS. **Jacob Welford, Travis Frost, Mason Hyams, Oliver Chapman, Alfie Murtagh** and **Amarii N'doye** have played brilliantly in all of the matches so far and are looking forward to the tournament final on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. We are all extremely proud of the team and are enjoying supporting them each week despite the cold weather conditions!

We would like to say a huge thank you to Mr Esherwood for coaching our football team, organising the tournament and sponsoring our amazing new Cogenhoe football team kit and staff jackets.

## Parent Consultation Meetings and Pupil Reports

As a school we are fully committed to ensuring that all of our parents are fully aware of their children's progress and attainment throughout the year. We hope your first parent consultation meeting in October enabled you to discuss your child's current progress and understand their learning targets. This academic year we will be sending home a mid-year progress report before the half term break in February. You will have the opportunity to discuss this report with your child's class teacher at the parent consultation meeting at the beginning of March. You will then receive your child's longer end of year report in July as normal. In the meantime, if you do have any questions about your child's learning at any time please do not hesitate to speak to the class teacher.

## Diary Dates

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fayre 5:00pm – 7:00pm**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – 2:00p.m. Year R and Key Stage 1 Nativity**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – 9:30a.m. Year R and Key Stage 1 Nativity**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – 2:00p.m. Key Stage 2 Christmas Carol Concert at St. Peter's Church, Cogenhoe**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner for Children**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of the Autumn term**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Children return to school after the Christmas Break**

