

HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



FRIDAY 9th DECEMBER 2022

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

It has been a very festive week this week, thanks to our wonderful PTA! Following all of the wonderful donations from families and local businesses, we held our Christmas present sale yesterday, giving all of the children the opportunity to choose a present for an adult and have it wrapped ready to go under the tree. The children were over the moon to be able to do this, so thank you to everyone who helped to make this event such a success!

We also had a very special visitor yesterday..... Father Christmas spent the afternoon here in our wonderful Santa's Grotto in the library! Every class paid him a visit and he told the children about his reindeers and his elves. He even had an elf with him! He answered the children's questions and also read a story to them. The looks on the children's faces were priceless! Thank you very much Santa, for making the time to come and visit us!

Mrs Hookway took a team to the Y3/4 athletics competition on Wednesday. The children competed in numerous events including long jump, javelin, vertical jump and speed bounce. There were also running races and relays. We have yet to hear the results, but Mrs Hookway will let us know when she receives them.

Thank you to everyone for buying raffle tickets this week for the Christmas hampers. The draw will take place on Monday and I look forward to giving you the final figure for how much the PTA have raised from the various events held over the last few weeks. Your support has been amazing!

NEXT WEEK

- Please ensure that your child has a warm coat and is dressed appropriately for the current cold weather!
- The only clubs running next week are boxing and cheer-leading. All other clubs will resume after Christmas.
- Ducklings and Goslings will be performing their Nativity on Monday morning at 9.15am in the New Hall.
- Years 1 and 2 will be performing 'It's a Baby' on Tuesday at 2pm and Wednesday at 9.30am.
- The KS2 Carol Service is being held in St Matthew's Church on Wednesday at 1.50pm and 7pm. Please remember to bring your programmes with you as these are your tickets for entry. If you do not have a ticket, you will be unable to attend.
- For those children who have ordered a Christmas lunch this will be had on Thursday.

**TERM 2 ENDS ON FRIDAY 16th
DECEMBER**



FULFILLING GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL



This is a quick round up of what has been happening in each year group this week. You can see what the staff have got to say about the pupils across the School.



School News

YR	We have been learning about toys from the past and have compared them to those we play with now. We watched a clip about a Jack-in-the-box that made us jump! We are looking forward to our Nativity on Monday!
Y1	This week in Year 1 we have continued to learn about the Christmas story. We thought about the ways in which Christians use the Christmas story to guide their beliefs and actions. We have also started to design moon buggies which we will make next week.
Y2	Year 2 have been busy this week working on their DT project about castles. We have built a moving drawbridge. We looked at how drawbridges work and built our own out of card. We also have made a portcullis to protect our castle. The children had to problem solve and plan how to make the portcullis. They did a fantastic job.
Y3	Our week has been spent designing, making and evaluating our Viking Longboats. We worked collaboratively to investigate the best way to join the materials and we tested our boats to carry our Lego Vikings across the water!
Y4	We have written our final drafts of our stories about Pompeii, using all of the skills we have been learning about this term; alliteration, similes and metaphors. We have painted our volcanoes and these will be erupting next week!
Y5	This week, we have continued with our fractions in Maths and have written non-chronological reports on the Mayan civilisation. We have also been learning about how the Mayans thought chocolate was a gift from the gods. We made our own gift of chocolate cake, but unlike the Mayans, we didn't include chilli in it! Thank you to Mr Liggins who has been teaching 5S in Mr Smith's absence.
Y6	Year 6 have been learning about the impact of the printing press on the world. In Science, we are learning about the refraction of light. We have also thought about the different versions of the Christmas story written by Matthew and Luke. We enjoyed watching the dress rehearsal of the KS1 Nativity and have been rehearsing hard for our Carol Service next week.

WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL.

MONDAY

5S
5C
Lorikeets
Kookaburras
4R

Swimming 4VC

TUESDAY

Owls
Robins
6W
6H

WEDNESDAY

4VC
4R

Bring in school uniform to change into

THURSDAY

3TWB
3DB
Owls
Robins
FRIDAY
Ducklings
Goslings
Lorikeets
Kookaburras

NO FOREST SCHOOL NEXT WEEK