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What a Christmas week we've had and it will be a struggle to fit everything into the newsletter and there are still three more days of school and ten sleeps until Christmas!

This week we've had: three Foundation Nativities, three Year 2 Productions, two Christmas Dinners, two Pantomimes, Father Christmas has visited all the classes, the Full Governing Body have met, Trinovantes and Cavalier have been out carol singing, we've had Christmas Jumper Day and our Year 1 children have put on a Christmas Carol concert for their parents.

A Plea from our Christmas Post Elves.

Our Christmas Post Elves—aka Year 4 and Year 6, are struggling to deliver some of the cards because they only have a first name written on the envelope. Please could you make sure that all cards have both the recipients' first and last name and also the class that that child is in. Many thanks from the elves.



Whoops-a-Daisy Angel

Our Foundation children dazzled and amazed us this week with their Nativity Production, Whoops-a-Daisy Angel. The children were brilliant and pa rum pum pum pum'd and jing-a-di-jing hee haw hee haw'd around the hall to great effect. Really well one to all the children and staff and thank you to everyone who came and watched. £243.59 was given in donations, so thank you for your generosity.



Prickly Hay

The hay was indeed prickly if you sat on it—but what a fantastic performance from our Year 2 children this week. A brilliant production which was rounded off with the children wishing us a Merry Christmas using makaton. As with our Foundation nativity, so much work has clearly gone into it to bring it all together to such good effect, so thank you for all your support.



In total £323.48 was given in donations, which is brilliant amount, so again—thank you.

Tickled Pink by Aladdin.



A huge thank you to our PTA who paid for the pantomime Aladdin for all the children in the school and did we enjoy it—oh yes we did! What makes the pantomime even more special is that many of our children also got to take part.



EFYS Children—Don't Forget Polar Express Pyjama day on Tuesday 19th.

At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.

Jane D. Hull

Assembly Theme for next week: The Christmas Story, the end of another year.

Article 2: All children have these rights, no matter who they are, where they live, what their parents do, what language they speak, what their religion is, whether they are a boy or girl, what their culture is, whether they have a disability, whether they are rich or poor. No child should be treated unfairly on any basis.

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Diary Dates

Wednesday 20th December—Last Day of Autumn Term.

Wednesday 3rd January—First Day of Spring Term.

PLEASE LOOK ON THE CALENDAR OF THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR OTHER DATES/EVENTS THIS TERM

Reminders

- Please make sure your child/ren has a proper winter coat in school. We do still go out at break and lunch and it is vital that the children are able to keep warm
- Year 5 Parents. Kingswood deposit for Year 6 residential £40—is now overdue.
- If you are having any problems with the on-line payment system 'Sims Agora' please refer to the trouble shooting guide in 'Parent Information' on the school website. There is also a fault reporting form here.
- Year 4 Parents. The second Danbury instalment of £55 is now overdue.
- From Wednesday 3rd January, cash payments will no longer be taken for Breakfast Club. Parents must pay for this please by Sims Agora.
- Because the last session of swimming was cancelled for the Year 3 and Year 6 children, the school will refund the cost of that swimming lesson to parents who had already paid for it.

Awards

- Year 6 (Trinovantes) - Leo Morley—Roberston
- Year 5 (Oysters) — Eiren McFadyen
- Year 5 (Magnets) - Dylan Henson
- Year 4 (Castle) - Naomi Roberts
- Year 4 (Cavalier) - Franky Lane
- Year 3 (Dutch) - Riley Noellen
- Year 3 (Iceni) - Oliver Price
- Year 3 (Paxman) - Bailey Smith
- Year 2 (Mercury) - Scarlett Webb
- Year 2 (Claudius) - Colesha Toluwase
- Year 2 (Romans) - Annalise Gallagher
- Year 1 (Eagles) - Bahram Amir
- Year 1 (Circus) - Alfie Amner
- Year 1 (Roses) - Esme-Rose Beer
- Foundation (Chariot) - Lilly Rudd
- Foundation (Star) - Martin Kolev
- Foundation (Jumbo) - Lilly-Grace Smith
- Heads' Award— Foundation & Year 2
- Attendance — Eagles



Year One Christmas Concert

A huge well done to our Year 1 children who put on a brilliant Christmas Concert this morning to finish off the week. The teachers had cunningly coincided this with Christmas Jumper Day, so festive cheer was most definitely in the air.

A huge well done to all our Year 1 children and thank you to everyone who has sent their £1's in for Christmas Jumper Day. There are a few £'s missing in action at the moment but so far we have raised £380 for 'Save the Children.'



Football Match

A valiant effort from our Football Team last night as we took on Parson Heath in a league game. Sadly, even with some resilient play, it was not to be and we lost 2-0. Despite my support, not because of it—obviously!



Cleaner Vacancy

The school has two cleaning vacancies at both our Abbey Field and Town Sites.

Cleaning takes place after school and the post is for: 10 hours a week, 44.3 weeks a year (Term Time and Non Pupil Days), B1.6 £7.78 per hour or £3,447.68 per annum.

If you are interested or know of someone who is interested, please contact either of the school offices.

A Picture and a Meaning. (OK—not a flower as such this week but...)

A slightly different challenge moving forward to the end of this term. Every flower, has a meaning. For example if you give a red rose to someone, it means you love them.

Our challenge for the rest of this term is.

1. Draw a brilliant picture of the picture

2. Write a sentence about what a Christmas Tree means.



Answers on Miss Salmon's door if you are at Abbey site and on Mrs O'Shea's door if you are at Town site.

The winning entry each week from each Year Group will get to choose a free book or writing prize.

And Finally,

Did it snow, yes it did. Huge thanks to Mr Bromley and Mr Skinner who shovelled snow and gritted tirelessly at the start of the week to keep paths around the school's as safe as possible. As an aside at the weekend Miss Impey and I both built snowmen and for your enjoyment our snowmen...If any parent or member of staff thinks they can top them—then please send any photos to the admin account at the school and if I have enough, I will put them in Wednesday's newsletter.

Have a good weekend

Simon Billings



Books are the bees which carry the pollen of thought from one mind to another.

James Russell Lowell (Poet.)