



Sampford Peverell C of E Primary School

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Newsletter: 4 December 2020

Dates for your diary:

Santa Fun Run
30 November-11 December

Village Lantern Trail
4-6 December

**Christmas Dinner
& Jumper Day**
16 December

PTFA Christmas Cake Draw
16 December

PTFA Christmas Raffle Draw
18 December

End of Term
18 December

Stars of the week

Drake: Jessica
Lewis: Katy
Seacole: Jack B
Darwin: Hugo

Golden Leaves

Drake: Isabella
Lewis: James H
Seacole: Mason
Darwin: James

Stars of the week last week

Drake: Harry
Lewis: Annabel
Seacole: Miley Jo
Darwin: Toby

Golden Leaves

Drake: Whole Class
Lewis: Lily
Seacole: India
Darwin: William

To minimise contact on the playground, please can we ask that if you need to speak to your child's class teacher that you email sampford@ventrus.org.uk or call 01884 820284 and we will pass your message on.



Message from Sarah Price

Christmas is fast approaching and it is lovely to see all the children getting excited. Watching them take part in the Santa Fun Run with such gusto has been amazing to watch - thank you to the PTFA for organising such a fantastic event.

As we prepare for Christmas, things start to get busier and sometimes we can forget to slow down so please remember to take a moment to pause and be still so that you don't miss some of the most important things about this special season.

One event not to miss is the biggest festive carols and nativity event in the South West streaming live on 5th & 6th December at 7pm. To find out more or watch live visit <https://www.southwestcarols.com/>

First Steps (Pre-school)

Hello everybody, we hope you are well. We have started our Christmas topic in First Steps and are busy exploring the meaning of Christmas in our homes and families, around the world and in our communities. Please continue to look out for postings of the children's amazing achievements on Tapestry.



Darwin Class (Reception)

Darwin Class have really enjoyed starting their first Nativity, practising the songs every day and getting their acting skills ready. They even tried on their costumes today! There will be a photo appearing in the local newspaper at the end of term, so keep an eye out for it. We have started tackling subtraction using Christmas items like baubles which has been so fun, and all of the children will be using their developing writing skills for the next fortnight in our new Christmas Post Office role play area which we all created together today. And let's not forget our daily run for our sponsored Santa Fun Run!



Seacole (Years 1 and 2)

Over the last two weeks we have been busy getting excited about Christmas. We have been completing our Santa Fun Run, making baubles, writing letters to Father Christmas and practicing our Nativity. It is really beginning to look a lot like Christmas in Seacole class!



Lewis Class (Years 3 and 4)

Lewis class have been exploring different states of matter over the past few weeks. We started off by figuring out the properties of solids and liquids in some very hands-on investigations. Jelly was a tricky substance to classify, especially after we'd poked our fingers into it! Then we moved on to exploring the properties of gasses by carrying out lots of different activities. We've been great at explaining what the particles do, with the help of a diagram. This week we looked at how matter can change state and talked a bit about reversible and irreversible changes.



Drake (Years 5 and 6)

Drake class have been completing their evolution topic as well as their writing topic on the life of Charles Darwin. They have been doing the tricky challenge of writing a hybrid text (two types of writing in one piece) and have really enjoyed putting themselves into the shoes of Darwin. This week we were really lucky to have Mr Carpanini from Uffculme School in to deliver a tag rugby session - thank you to Miss Holland for arranging it! We have also been taking part in the Santa Fun Run (dressed in their hats) - arranged by the PTFA - and have so far completed 111km between them! Next week, we will be succumbing to all things CHRISTMAS with a design technology topic alongside writing festive tales.



Contact school immediately if a positive test result is received. If out of hours email sampford@ventrus.org.uk and someone will get back to you.

Please be advised that the Draft Admissions Policy 2022_2023 - formal consultation starts 1 November 2020 and ends on 31 January 2021. Policy can be found here <https://www.sampford-peverell-primary.devon.sch.uk/website/admissions/186080> Any responses to the consultation should be emailed to sampford@ventrus.org.uk for consideration by the Board on 28 February 2021.