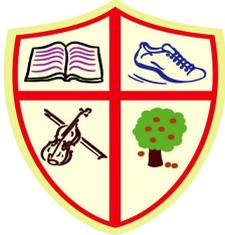


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7th December 2017

It was a real pleasure to accompany some of our Year 5&6 children to Dene Magna school this week, with Mrs Marshall. Whilst there, the children took part in an athletics competition as part of the Gloucestershire School Games. It was wonderful to see the children giving their best and supporting each other in their efforts. Once again, I felt proud to work with such amazing children.

Our thanks should especially go to Mrs Marshall for all she does to organise these sporting events for the children. She did an amazing job!

It was also lovely to be able to go with the Kift family and Mrs Noad to the neo-natal ward at Gloucester Royal Hospital. The purpose of the visit was to finally present them with a cheque for £800, which was raised by the children back in the summer. It was a very moving time, being taken around the ward and hearing about the great work of the 'Scoo-B-Do' appeal. Sometimes we forget how blessed we are to have the health services we do, and how good it is to support the work of these amazing charities.

As we draw near to the end of term, I should like to remind you all that term finishes on Friday 15th December. We return to school on Tuesday 2nd January.

Mr C.



CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Our annual Christingle service will take place on Friday 15th December at Westbury Church at 2pm. We would like to invite as many of you as can possibly come, for our very special service. Afterwards, there may be time for you to have a look at the Experience Christmas displays that will be created around the church.



CLASS 1&2 NATIVITY

The annual nativity play performed by children in Classes 1 & 2 will take place on Tuesday 12th December in the school hall at 2pm. There will be an evening performance of the play at 6.30pm on the same day. Please return ticket request letters as soon as possible so that we know how many people will be attending.



Free School Meals

Are you entitled?

Free school meals are an entitlement to any child whose family is in receipt of certain state benefits. Information on eligibility can be found at the following web address: <http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/> I would like to encourage any parents who may be entitled to their child receiving benefits-linked free school meals (FSM), to please take advantage of this offer. Not only will this mean that an added financial pressure is lifted, but you will also be helping the school to provide additional educational provision for your child through the Pupil Premium. Pupil Premium is a specific allocation of funds that a school receives for each child entitled to benefits-linked free school meals. Currently this is £1,320 per eligible pupil, which can be used by the school to provide additional support for those children.

We will have another Christmas jumper day on the last day of term – Friday 15th December, in order to raise some money for Save the Children. On this day, children can come to school wearing a Christmas jumper – or make a customized one at home! We will collect a donation from those who want to take part and send the money off to the charity.



CLASS NEWS

We have been having a busy time in Class 1! Finishing off theme work, writing our information pages for our Animal dictionary and preparing for the theme celebration! We are all busy practising for our Nativity and are looking forward to performing for you next Tuesday at 2pm and 6.30pm. Children will need to be back at school for 6pm and friends are providing refreshments.



In literacy Class 2 have written up our information texts about the human body. In numeracy Yr2's have been looking at time and the Yr3's have been doing division. In art we designed our own skeletons and printed them out with ink and rollers.

By Jasmine & Daisy

Some children from Yr5 and Yr6 went to Dene Magna for an athletics tournament and our school came 6th. In literacy we have been writing our Beowulf—The Missing Saga. On Thursday the theme celebrations took place and Class 3 sang a Viking invasion song. In maths we finished our topics and started maths Christmas packs of different levels. In worship we have been studying Compassion.

By Eden & Viki



School Governors 200 Club Winners List

Congratulations to the following winners of the October and November draws. The December draw will take place before the end of term. We will let you know the winners in the new year.

October 2017 Winners:

1 st Prize £20:	Nicola Donlon - No 127
2 nd Prize £10:	Karen Kane - No 91
3 rd Prize £5:	Nathan Kift – No 107
4 th Prize £5:	Pat Swinley - No 83
Jackpot £40:	Number 50 – Jo Walters

November 2017 Winners:

1 st Prize £20:	Jo Barry - No 73
2 nd Prize £10:	Di Landon - No 08
3 rd Prize £5:	Kerry Watts– No 20
4 th Prize £5:	Andrew Landon - No 188
Jackpot £40:	Number 127 – Nicola Donlon



ONCE UPON A TIME...

Thank you to all of you who have sent in money for our visit to the pantomime. Please can I ask for all payments to be sent into the school office by Monday 11th December

