

St Mary's Church of England School

Newsletter 14 – 13th December 2019

This Week's News:

We really enjoyed the KS1 production this week which told the Christmas story through a dance show set in the very stable where Jesus was born. The audience were entertained with Morris dancing, line dancing, disco dancing and ballet.

On Wednesday we celebrated Christmas with a turkey roast and the children enjoyed eating together in the hall in their festive jumpers.

Today Year 3 sang a wonderful selection of Christmas songs and carols to their parents and families.

Next week we are looking forward to the Year 5/6 carol concert and the second chance to enjoy Year 3's great singing.

This half term, Year 6 have been learning about the heart and circulatory system in their science lessons. As part of this, the children were given the chance to dissect a lamb's heart. They found it extremely interesting and it allowed them to gain a greater understanding of the organ and how it functions. They explored the differences between the veins and arteries, and between the right and left sides of the heart.



Internet Safety

With Christmas fast approaching and wish lists probably containing some form of technology that links to the internet, ODBST have put together a really useful guide for keeping children safe on line over the Christmas period and beyond. Please see the attachment.

After School Clubs

Clubs have now finished for this term although the last Game On is today. We hope to have the forms out to select next term's clubs before the children break up for the Christmas holidays.

Lost Property

Lost Property - we have a large amount of un-named lost property. Anything that is not collected by the end of the term will be donated to the PTA. The PTA have signed up with a couple of label companies that will provide the school with much needed funds through commission.

www.stikins.co.uk use fundraising number 20765
www.stamptastic.co.uk by entering the PTA code HP197WF

Learning Power Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have received a Learning Power Award this week: Alex A, James G, Sophia C-M, Molly P, Harper R, Janek S, Nathan C, Amelia L, Patience N, Zac J, Jack W, Theo J, Bryan D-W.

Star of the Week

Well done to the children who are Star of the Week this week: Madison F, Maisie B, Lila-May M, Joumana B, Paige B, Amy B, Rosemary O, Lewie S, Patience N, Thandi M, Rose R, Matthew H, George J.

HERO Attendance Bear

This week the class with the best overall attendance is 4T with 100%. 4T will therefore be awarded the Attendance Bear to keep for the week.

Lunchtime Award

This week the class who have won the Lunchtime Award is 3AH. This has been awarded for excellent lunchtime behaviour.

3AH have also won the most awards this half term showing exemplary behaviour in the dining hall with good manners to each other and staff. They have exhibited good table manners, behaved calmly, and made sure they have left their tables clean and tidy. Next week a special table will be reserved for the whole class with a silver tablecloth, candelabra, paper napkins and a flavoured drink. Mrs Dimbleby will join the celebration and lunch with the class.

House Points

This week's results	Number of points	Running Total
Lee	381	2103
Hampden	281	1473
Rothschild	279	1631
Cook	250	1544

The house with the most points at the end of the term will win a Mufti Day.

Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who bought items from this year's Poppy Appeal. £335.42 was raised for The Royal British Legion which helps them to continue with their vital welfare and benevolent work.

3rd Aylesbury Scouts

The 3rd Aylesbury Scouts are looking for volunteers to join their adult leadership team to help keep the Beavers and Cubs open in Fairford Leys. If you think you, or someone you know, has the skills and time no matter how small, please contact Tracey on 07925144826 or traceypickavance@live.co.uk

Florence Nightingale Hospice

Sales of our Christmas flumpets and pencils have gone very well. If children would like to buy additional items, these will be sold next Monday and Tuesday. Flumpets are £2.00 and pencils £1.00. All money raised will go to the Florence Nightingale Hospice.

PLEASE SAVE THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARY

DECEMBER

Mon 16th Y3 Carol Concert 2.30pm
 Tues 17th Y5/6 Carol Concert 7.00pm
 Fairford Leys Church
Thurs 19TH LAST DAY OF TERM

JANUARY 2020

Mon 6th INSET DAY
Tues 7th SCHOOL OPENS
START OF SPRING TERM
 Fri 10th 4I Forest School
 Fri 17th 4I Forest School
 Fri 17th 3AH Start Swimming

FEBRUARY

Mon 3rd Y2 Great Fire of London Day
 Fri 28th 3I Start Swimming