



Message from Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers

We have kicked off the Chadsmead festivities today with the Year 1/2 Christmas play – Born in a Barn. Thanks to you, parents, for supporting your children with costumes and rehearsing lines. It was all very worth it. The children were very proud of themselves and so are we.

Our Winning house for this term is St Chad. The prize for children in St Chad will be a Glow in the Dark Dodgeball session. This will be on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December and during school time. A change of kit is not required but trainers are advisable.

We are sorry to announce that Mr Stokes-Haynes, who has worked at the school for 6 1/2 years supporting and teaching PE in his role with Progressive Sports, will be leaving us at the end of term. He has been a valuable member of our team and will be greatly missed. We wish him every success in his future ventures. Mr Hewitt will be his replacement for the Tuesday and Thursday sessions.

Lastly, please do come and support our Christmas Disco and Fayre this evening. The disco is a family event held in the hall (don't worry there will be lots of seating if you want to leave the dancing to the children and staff!). Around school, we also have popular stalls – chocolate, adult and children's tombola, glitter tattoos, white elephant, pre-loved uniform and yummy refreshments to name a few. And of course Santa's Grotto. Year 5&6 are competing to raise the most money as part of their fundraising topic. The raffle will be drawn at 7:15pm in the junior hall.



What's on next week



Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December:

- Woodwind and **Singing** Lessons
- Lego Club 3.20-4.20pm

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December:

- Choir 8.20-8.50am
- KS2 Christmas Performance:  
Y5/6 9.30am  
Y3/4 2.15pm

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December:

- Nursery and Reception Class Nativity 9.30am
- Children's Christmas Dinner

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December:

- Drum Lessons

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December:

- Last Day of term – school starts again Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January

### Years 1 & 2

Children in Years 1 and 2 have had a very busy week, completing their assessment tests in Reading, VGPS and Maths. They have also managed to practise their nativity story several times during the week. They get better and better, and we think you'll agree when you have seen the final performance. Thank you for your support with the Christmas Fayre - you have been very generous with your stall donations and have worked hard with your children to produce treat-filled jars. We hope you have a fantastic time later.

### Years 3 & 4

We are all getting in the festive mood and have been practising our Christmas songs and poems ready for next week's performance. Our jam jars filled with goodies are fantastic - thanks very much to all who have helped with this - they look amazing. We hope to see you tonight at the Christmas Disco & Fayre!

The children have been working extra hard this week doing assessments and it is all credit to them that their attitude has been excellent.

Last week we loved going to the Panto in Lichfield and thought it really was a treat for all. This week we have enjoyed a guitar concert and a Christmas jumper day!

### Years 5 & 6

We are really pleased with how hard Year 5 and 6 have worked on their assessments this week.

We are also very impressed with their organisational skills to plan their stalls that they will run during the school Christmas Fayre and Disco. Thank you to parents and carers that have helped and supported this process. In addition to all this a lot of work is currently going in to the preparation of our Christmas Performance next week.

### Early Years Christmas Craft Workshop







## ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Week Commencing: 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018

Whole School Attendance: 96%

Year Group:	Percentage Attendance:
Reception	95%
Year 1	94%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	97%
Year 4	97%
Year 5	95%
Year 6	96%


House point totals  
Week Commencing: 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018

	<b>217</b>		<b>203</b>
	<b>251</b>		<b>203</b>



### Christmas Fayre

Friday, 14 December




An event for all the family to enjoy

## Christmas Disco and Fayre

5:00pm - 8:00pm

* Santa's Grotto	* White Elephant Stall
* Bottle Tombola	* Chocolate Tombola
* Mrs Claus Kitchen	* Y5&6 Festive Games
* Glitter Tattoos	* Festive Jam Jars

£1 Entry  
Chadsmead Primary Academy




### Great Chadsmead Bake Off

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Bake-Off, we had some wonderful creations and they tasted divine, the winner will be announced tonight at our Christmas Fayre.




### Christingles in Years 1 & 2





During the first week of December, at the start of advent, all the children from Year 1 – 6 at Chadsmead celebrated 50 years of the Children's society Christingle. The oranges for the Christingles were kindly donated by Waitrose, Tesco, Coop Iceland and Morrisons. For 50 years Christingle collections have helped the Children's society work with more than a million children and young people, but a million more are living with serious problems in their lives today. The children have taken home a money box or a collection envelope to raise money to support the Children society.



**The Children's Society**  
No child should feel alone

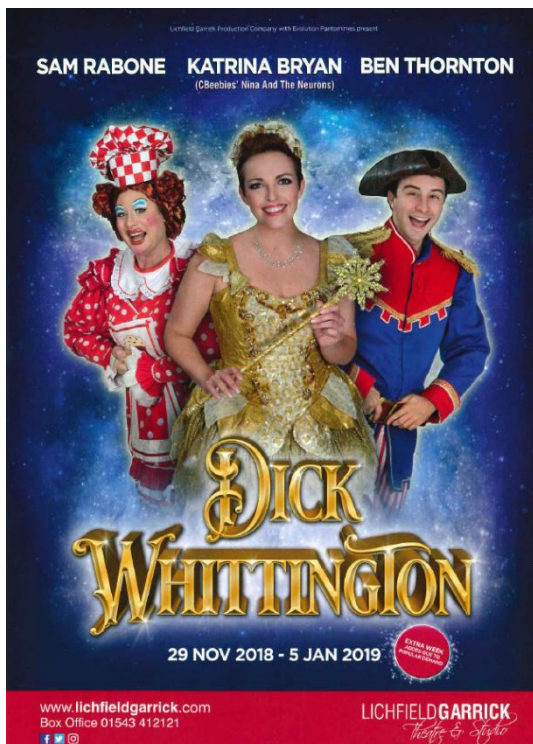


## The Red Box Project



Thank you Mrs Sarson, our Community Governor, for arranging for our school to have a red box. The Red Box Project is a community based, not-for-profit initiative, which aims to support young people throughout their periods. You can find more details: <http://redboxproject.org/>

Parents/carers of girls in Years 5 and 6 have already received this information, which is also on our website in the Curriculum and Learning tab; Sex and Relationships.



## Message from the Chair of Governors

Dear Parents and Carers,

Since last writing, Governors have attended a Governor's conference and are starting a programme of Governor training. It has been an exciting time of continuing development and further improvement of standards across the school with the introduction of Maths Mastery and Read Write Inc. to increase our children's enjoyment and progress. We have all made visits to school and been welcomed by children and staff who so generously share their time and work with us. Thank you to the children and to all the teaching and non-teaching staff for their enthusiastic efforts, every day.

Thank you also to my fellow Governors and to all volunteers who help at school for the difference that they make. A very special gift to give the children is our time and we can achieve so much more when we work together.

We, as Governing Body, support the school in its focus on children as individuals and giving each of them the richest primary school experience possible. We also acknowledge the importance of the school community, communication and raising the public profile of Chadsmead Primary Academy by ensuring that we encourage positive publicity and work to become 'Ofsted ready', as the result of our next inspection is crucial for the school's future. Our efforts will continue in the New Year.

The staff and children have been working hard on their Christmas productions and Governors are looking forward to seeing such joyous and meaningful events. The Governing Body join me in wishing everyone a happy Christmas and all the very best for the year ahead.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Warmest good wishes,

Iona Chisholm

