



Connor Downs Academy

14th December 2018

Virtue of the week—Charity

HEAD OF SCHOOL UPDATE

As part of their unit of work learning about the British passenger liner, Titanic, Y5 braced the elements at the world famous Minack Theatre for a backstage tour. They learnt how Rowena Cade had a vision for her back garden and as a consequence created the amazing Minack Theatre! After some drama warm ups and several rehearsals, the children amazed us all with their knowledge about Titanic as they pieced together two short plays which they performed with great enthusiasm on the sheltered stage with a perfect ocean backdrop.



This year, the children in EYFS and Key Stage 1 presented a magical performance of 'Christmas with the Aliens'. All the children in EYFS and Key Stage 1 were fantastic on stage. They thoroughly enjoyed singing the upbeat Christmas songs and dancing on stage. Thank you to parents/carers for helping with costumes and taking the time to support children to learn scripts at home.

On Wednesday a selection of our performing arts children visited Marks and Spencers in Hayle where they delighted Christmas Shoppers by singing Christmas Carols. The singers raised an amazing £68 through kind donations.

Special thanks to the management of Marks and Spencers who kindly donated a bottle of Champagne to the school which has been added to the Friends Christmas raffle.



On Monday 17th December we will be holding our KS2 carol concert at Phillack Church starting at 1.45pm. All are welcome to attend. Our year R and KS1 Christingle service will be held on the same day at Phillack Church starting at 5pm. All are welcome to attend.

On Wednesday 19th December, our school menu will be a special Christmas lunch. On this day, children and staff are invited to wear their own clothes including festive items. We will be raising funds for St Julia's Hospice, if you wish to make a donation of 50 pence please do so via Parent Pay. On Thursday 20th December we will be holding our class Christmas parties. Children are invited to come to school wearing their party clothes. We would like to remind parents/carers that school closes at 2pm on Thursday 20th December for the Christmas Break.



A huge thank you to our Friends of Connor Downs Academy for organising and running the school Christmas Fayre. This is always a well supported event and the monies raised will benefit the whole school community.

Next week all families will receive a copy of our Autumn newsletter highlighting many of the fantastic opportunities children have enjoyed this term. This special Autumn newsletter replaces our weekly newsletter. We hope that you enjoy reading the Autumn newsletter and sharing it with friends and family.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a lovely Christmas and a peaceful New Year. We look forward to welcoming you all back to Connor Downs Academy on Monday 7th January 2019.

Mrs Eddy

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