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Friday 8th December 2017

WELCOME

Thankyou everyone for purchasing tickets to our Christmas concerts; the children are erally looking forward to performing for you. In response to popular demand we have added an another Key Stage 2 performance on Friday 15th December at 10am. Tickets are now available.

SCHOOL AWARDS



This week special mentions were awarded to:

Reception: Sophia, Ronnie

Year 1: Ronnie, Isabelle

Year 2: Gracie, Poppy

Year 3: Jess, Maisie

Year 4: Tilly, Harvie

Year 5: Bethany, Noah

Year 6: Arron, Dylan



This week 'Always' awards were given to:

Reception: Willow

Year 1: Addison

Year 2: Henley

Year 3: Phoebe

Year 4: Jack

Year 5: Aleks

Year 6: Charlie

Special Always child chosen by Miss Grainger this week: Marcel (Year 3)

Our 'Always' children for the week get to spend special time with George on Friday mornings.



This weeks' Behaviour Raffle prizes were won by:

Reception: Ellis

Year 1: Emily

Year 2: Jaden

Year 3: Jaden

Year 4: Sandra

Year 5: Harvey

Year 6: Kyle



ATTENDANCE

During the year attendance is monitored daily and each week classes receive awards for their attendance in the

previous week. On Monday the attendance awards were presented to
Year 2 WELL DONE!

Nursery AM 85.9%, Nursery PM 88.6%
Reception 92.1%,
Year 1 93%, Year 2 97.7%,
Year 3 90.1%, Year 4 95.9%
Year 5 95.2%, Year 6 95%

Our attendance target is **96%**



LUNCHTIME AWARDS

On Monday awards for last week were given to:

Reception: Beau

Year 1: Barney

Year 2: Jaime-Lea

Year 3: Brooke

Year 4: Jack

Year 5: Ebony

Year 6: Amy

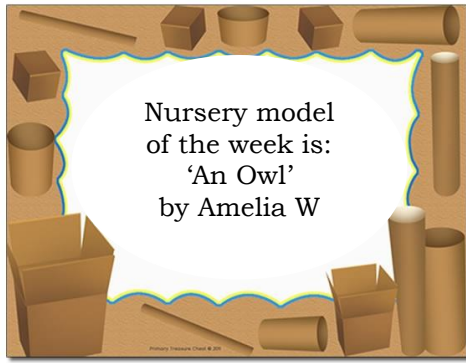


FOUNDATION NEWS.... KIND KANDINSKY

NURSERY

This week in Nursery, we have been talking about Christmas and why we celebrate Christmas. We have been trying to write a Christmas list for Santa and we have been working very hard to learn our songs for our Christmas performances next week. In Maths, we have been practising all of the skills that we have learnt this half term.

We are really excited for our Christmas performances next week and we hope that you come along to support all of our hard work.



of description so he knows lots about the gift we would like.

In Maths we have been practising counting in 2s, 5s and 10s, finding fractions of shapes and amounts. We have also been adding and subtracting and investigating measures, weight, length and height.

We had a fantastic time at Netherwood at the cricket multi-skills competition last Friday. The children enjoyed batting, bowling and fielding games and worked brilliantly to earn lots of points for their team – well done Year 1. In PE this week Team Activ have been working with us on lots of apparatus in the hall, again we had a super time.

Our Nativity concert is on Tuesday after school and on Wednesday morning, so we have been busy rehearsing, we hope that you can come and watch us. If your child is in the choir can you please bring in their party dressing up clothes in a bag with their name on everything?

In RE we have been learning all about the first Christmas. We have received an amazing handmade nativity scene for our classroom which was a lovely gift from Mr Beckingham and Mrs Haigh. It has a beautiful wooden stable and star, and all the people (and animals) involved in the Nativity have been knitted beautifully in lots of detail. I think it will be out in our classroom at this time of year for a long time to come. Thank you very much Mr Beckingham and Mrs Haigh.

Please make sure that your child has their reading folder with them at school every day. Every time your child is listened to reading at home, could you please write a comment in their reading book? Reading is a big focus for us in school, our new library will hbe opening ready soon, and as well as really promoting reading for pleasure, this vital skill really does help your child in all areas of the curriculum. Please listen to your child read as often as you can.



YEAR 2 NEWS.... JACKSON POLLOCK

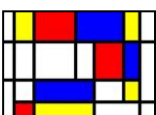
We have been doing lots of quizzes this week to show off what we have been learning in Maths and Reading. All your practise of reading at home is really helping as we continue to make fantastic progress. Keep it up! In Maths we

RECEPTION

We have really enjoyed a variety of Winter stories this week. Our favourite story has been 'The Winter Bear' by Ruth Craft. In our 'Big Read' we answered lots of retrieval questions and we know to use the pictures and text to find the information we need. We have been sequencing the events in the story and discussing likes and dislikes. We enjoy giving our own opinions about stories we have heard.

In our Maths lessons we have been focussing on '1 more than'. We have been using number lines, cubes, digits and a variety of other resources when adding 1 to a given number. We know to jump forwards along our number line when adding.

Next week we are excited about performing our Nativity play to the school and our family/friends. In class we will be reading the Nativity story and discussing the key events.



YEAR 1 NEWS.... MARVELLOUS MONDRIAN

This week we have been very busy writing fantastic character descriptions of Santa. We have used lots of adjectives and we have been making sure that we use capital letters, full stops and finger spaces in all of our sentences. We have written super letters to Santa asking him about how busy he is in Lapland and we have asked him for a Christmas present, using lots

are now starting to apply our new skills to solve puzzles and problems.

For our Big Write this week we wrote letters to Santa. We thought very hard about what we needed to include in our letters and how we needed to structure them. We remembered all our new grammar skills and I think Santa will be very impressed.

We are really enjoying PE at the moment with lots of new things going on. This week we had the apparatus out and had the opportunity to show off the new shapes we had learnt on the apparatus. Take a look at the photos on the website to see just what we got up to in gymnastics this week.

Next week is our Christmas concert. We have been working really hard to perfect our lines and remember all the songs and we really cannot wait to show everyone!



YEAR 3 NEWS.... SUPER SEURATS

This week has been really busy with Christmas production rehearsals. We have written up our non-chronological reports in Literacy and in Maths we had fun making 3D shape skeletons and 3D shapes from nets.

Next week we will be working on multiplication and division in Maths. No doubt we will be busy again practising our Christmas play and we are all excited about performing it on Thursday.



YEAR 4 NEWS.... PERFECT PICASSO

This week we have been learning about decimals and next week we will be using these skills to solve problems. In Big Read this week we have been trying to answer Dood's questions, using the text to prove our opinions. Next week we are going to look at a new reading friend 'Ansa the Analyser'. Please remember to bring your costumes for Monday, in a bag with your name on please. Our homework this week is to try and learn your 8 times table.



YEAR 5 NEWS.... BRILLIANT BANKSY

This week has been really busy with Christmas concert rehearsals and our exciting trip to Magna where we learnt all about earth, wind, fire and water as well as finding out more about volcanoes. Once we returned we

independently planned and wrote a recount for our termly assessment including all our key writing skills. In Maths we recapped different measures and converted between them.

Next week we will be continuing with our concert practise, could all children please bring a Christmas jumper in to wear for our dress rehearsal and on Wednesday and for the concert on Thursday.

Please make sure you are still reading at home and completing homework. We are looking forward to seeing you all on Thursday.



YEAR 6 NEWS LIBERAL LOWRY

The children have had a very busy week this week – on Tuesday we had an amazing day at Magna with an amazing volcano workshop. On

Wednesday some children had the opportunity to make dens and have a small camp fire (we even had hot dogs and fried eggs!). In between all this the children have learnt about hyphen, metric and imperial units and even had the chance to look at a humorous poem! Well done children – keep up the hard work!

KEY STAGE 2 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE CRECHE AVAILABLE

Don't forget that we will have a crèche for younger children (key stage 1 or early years Ladywood pupils) whilst parents attend the Key Stage 2 performance at 5pm on Thursday 14th December. So that we can plan how many staff are needed – if you would like your child to attend the crèche please inform the school office as soon as possible.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Please note that when we have our school Christmas dinner on Wednesday 20th December this will be the only meal option available. If your child does not want a traditional Christmas dinner on this day they will need to bring a packed lunch.

The usual price of £1.80 applies to school meals on this day.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

PANTO VISIT (Years 1 to 6)

"Oh no it is isn't, OH YES IT IS!!"

Tuesday 19th December

If your child would like to go to the Panto at the Lamproom Theatre and you haven't yet returned your consent slip and contribution. Please make that these are returned to school by next Friday 15th December at the very latest.

Any children who choose not to go will stay in school and enjoy an afternoon of 'Christmassy' games and craft activities.



Save the Children
**CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY**

WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER is Ladywood Christmas Jumper Day in support of Save the Children. Children may come to school in their festive jumpers on this day, which is also our Christmas Lunch day for a suggested donation of £1.



Don't forget - Santa's store will be open from Wednesday 13th to Friday 15th December. Children may bring a small amount of money to purchase a wrapped gift for mum, dad, grandma, grandad etc.

Prices will range from around £1 to £3

If anyone has any items that would like to donate to the store we would be extremely grateful, please bring them to the school office.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS IMPORTANT

There will be no after school clubs next week due to our Christmas performances. All clubs have therefore now finished for this term.

Look out for the letters for next terms clubs which will be sent home soon!

OTHER FUTURE EVENTS

*****Christmas Performances***
There are still a few tickets remaining**

- 12.12.17 Y1/2 Xmas performance 5pm ***SOLD OUT***
- 13.12.17 Y1/2 Xmas performance 10am
- 13.12.17 to 15.12.17 Santa's store open
- 14.12.17 EYFS Xmas performance 10am
- 14.12.17 Y3, 4, 5 & 6 Xmas performance 5pm (crèche available) ***SOLD OUT***
- 15.12.17 Y3, 4, 5 & 6 Xmas performance 10am
- 15.12.17 EYFS Xmas performance 1.30pm
- 18.12.17 2pm Pupils & staff will attend a traditional Christmas Carol Concert at the Pentecostal Church
- 19.12.17 Y1 to Y6 Panto @ Lamproom 1pm
- 19.12.17 EYFS Christmas parties
- 20.12.17 School Christmas Lunch
- 20.12.17 Christmas Jumper Day
- 22.12.17 Xmas Factor finals 10am
- 22.12.17 Last day of autumn term
- 25.12.17 School closed for 2 weeks for Christmas holidays
- 08.01.18 School re-opens
- 12.02.18 School closed all week – half term Holiday
- 19.02.18 School re-opens
- 23.03.18 Last day of Spring term
- 26.03.18 School closed for 2 weeks for Easter Holidays
- 09.04.18 School re-opens
- 03.05.18 Polling day – Nursery & Reception closed
- 07.05.18 May Day bank holiday – school closed
- 28.05.18 School closed all week – half term Holiday
- 04.06.18 School re-opens
- 20.07.18 Last day of Summer term for pupils
- 23.07.18 Inset day – school closed
- 24.07.18 Summer holiday starts

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