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Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017

## WELCOME

A big thank you to all parents, carers and family members who came to watch our wonderful children in their Christmas performances, many thanks also for buying raffle tickets, the raffle will be drawn after our last performance this afternoon. Winning tickets will be on display in the main entrance and we will send information out with the winning ticket numbers at the beginning of next week.

Next week we have many exciting things planned with the Panto, Xmas dinner, Xmas Jumper Day and the Xmas Factor final so it's going to be another fun week in school!! On Monday we are also taking the children to the Pentecostal Church for a carol concert at 2pm. The seating upstairs will be available for families to attend and join us. At the end of the concert parents will be able to sign children out at the desk in the entrance.

## SCHOOL AWARDS

There were no special mentions or behaviour prizes awarded in school due to our Christmas performances. Next week's awards will be for our 100% attenders!

## 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 5 – 100% WELL DONE!**

Nursery AM 90.4%, Nursery PM 85.5%  
Reception 96.2%,  
Year 1 99%, Year 2 95.3%,  
Year 3 96%, Year 4 99.3%  
Year 5 100%, Year 6 97.1%

Our attendance target is **96%**

## LUNCHTIME AWARDS

On Monday awards for last week were given to:

**Reception:** Sophie

**Year 1:** Eva

**Year 2:** Kailyn

**Year 3:** Jess

**Year 4:** Connor

**Year 5:** Courtney

**Year 6:** Ashton

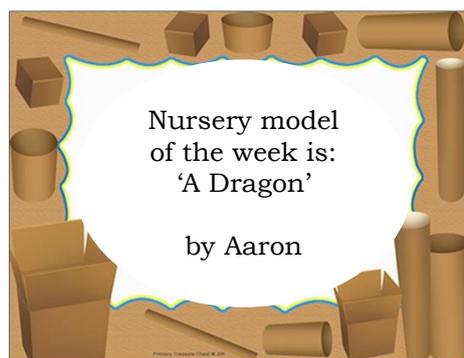


## FOUNDATION NEWS.... KIND KANDINSKY

### NURSERY

This week in Nursery, we have been making our Christmas cards and our calendars. We have enjoyed getting creative and are excited to show you what we have made. We have also been practising our Christmas Performance and hope that you have enjoyed seeing all of our hard work.

Next week, we will be talking about Christmas and will be writing out Christmas lists. We are also looking forward to our Christmas party where a special visitor is going to come and see us!!



### RECEPTION

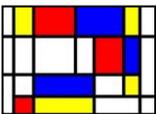
We have had a wonderful week of nativity performances this week, we have enjoyed watching KS1 and KS2 perform and we have thoroughly enjoyed performing our own play; 'The Wiggly Nativity'.

We have been reading the Nativity story in class. We have been re-telling key events from

the story using our own words, pictures and sentences.

In our Maths lessons we have been using a number line to help us find the number that is 1 less than a given number. We have been jumping backwards to find the answer.

We are looking forward to our Christmas party and Xmas Factor next week. We will be talking about how we celebrate Christmas and how this compares to the celebrations of others.



#### **YEAR 1 NEWS....**

##### **MARVELLOUS MONDRIAN**

In Literacy we have loved making reindeer food and then written fantastic instructions all about how to make it. We have also been learning about how the season changes from Autumn to Winter and what happens in Winter. We collected things on our winter walk to freeze in a tray of ice and created a list of Winter vocabulary to help us make Winter fact sheets.

In Maths we have been working on adding and subtracting using objects, number lines or 100 squares to help us. Popcorn Maths was a lot of fun – even though it wasn't real popcorn!

We have been continuing to develop our working collaboratively skills by making cards and gifts for George for his first Christmas.

We were really proud of our super talented children during the Christmas concert, we hope that you enjoyed it and thank you for your continued support.

A few reminders for next week – it's very busy! Monday we are going to the Pentecostal church at 2.00 pm for a carol service. Tuesday we are at the pantomime at the Lamproom theatre. Wednesday is our enterprise morning, where you can buy your child's art work and have some refreshments. On Friday we are having treats in the afternoon. Could you please bring in a few

buns/biscuits or crisps to share in class? Thank you very much.



#### **YEAR 2 NEWS....**

##### **JACKSON POLLOCK**

What a busy week we have had! I have to mention our nativity and how amazing everyone was during the performances. We were all so incredibly proud at the end of the performances with how much confidence you showed and what amazing stage presence you had. Your singing was also outstanding! You should be extremely proud of yourselves.

The focus in Maths this week has been time. You can now tell the time to the o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to. We began learning 5 minutes past and to which was a little more tricky. Try to practise at home.

In grammar we have been making compound words and using these in our sentences. You should have amazing understanding and were super confident.

Next week is the last week of the Autumn term before we break up for Christmas. We have lots of exciting things planned like the pantomime and Xmas Factor.



#### **YEAR 3 NEWS....**

##### **SUPER SEURATS**

What a busy week! We have enjoyed watching performances by EYFS and KS1 and performing ourselves for parents and friends. In Literacy we wrote some persuasive pieces which we then turned into travel brochures about Egypt. In Maths we continued using our knowledge of multiplication facts to work out word problems.

Next week we are looking forward to going to the pantomime, church and our Ladywood Xmas Factor finals.



#### **YEAR 4 NEWS....**

##### **PERFECT PICASSO**

A really hectic week in Year 4. We are all really proud of the way the children have practised their lines for the show and learnt the words to the songs. Thank you to all parents who supported their children and provided costumes.

In Maths this week we have carried on with fractions and decimals and the children have done really well; solving puzzles and problems.

We have continued to read 'The Creakers' and this week we have created our own monsters and planned our own monster under the bed story. Next week we will be writing them using all the skills that we have learnt this half term.



### **YEAR 5 NEWS.... BRILLIANT BANKSY**

Wow! What a busy week in year 5. Well done for practising your lines at home and at school for our Christmas performances and for performing them so brilliantly for parents. This week we have also made our own Christmas cards and finished re-capping our work on area, perimeter and angles in Maths. In Literacy we have analysed a piece of text and also continued reading Harry Potter. We have also enjoyed watching the EYFS and KS1 performances which were excellent.

Next week we will be creating our calendars and attending the pantomime as well as watching the children who have been voted through to the Xmas Factor final on Friday.



### **YEAR 6 NEWS .... LIBERAL LOWRY**

A really busy week in Year 6 as usual. We have focused on our Arithmetic skills in Maths whilst in Literacy we have looked at summarising and comparing. The children's efforts for the KS2 play have been fantastic – I hope parents have enjoyed these.

Boosters will continue next week (Tues, Weds, Thurs) as usual – keep it up everyone!



**Save the Children**  
**CHRISTMAS  
JUMPER DAY**

**WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 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.

### **CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

Don't forget Christmas dinner is on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. 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.



### **OUR XMAS FACTOR FINALISTS ARE.....**

#### **YEAR 1**

Oscar, Barney, Gabriel, Ronnie, Freddy,  
Harley  
Ellie-Jo, Saphyre, Evie W, Lily, Addison, Lexi

#### **YEAR 2**

Harrison  
Grace

#### **YEAR 3**

Nathan, Brandon, Trafford  
Emily, Millie, Scarlett

#### **YEAR 4**

Sandra  
Alfie, Maddison

#### **YEAR 5**

Kevin, Morgan, Liam  
Lexie, Noah, Olivia, Jay, Jude, Charlie

#### **YEAR 6**

Kyle  
Lili-Sue

Parents/carers of our finalists are invited to join us to watch the finals next Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 10am.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### **FUTURE EVENTS**

- 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

### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS IMPORTANT**

All clubs have now finished for this term.

Letters have been sent out for next half term, text messages will be sent home once places have been allocated.

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