



Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to see so many of you at the Reception and Year 1 Nativity performances – I do hope you enjoyed them! Thank you to all the staff for their hard work in preparing the children for this. Kaja in RP says: 'I was an angel, I liked singing the songs.' Raphael in RP says: 'I was a child! My favourite song was come to the party.' Aria in RJ says: 'I was a child called Prue, I got to pet the animals. I loved seeing my family watching me.' The children chose to raise money for Julia's House - thank you to all who have donated at the performances, or via WisePay. We will be collecting again at the Year 4 service on Monday night, and the Year 2 Carols on Tuesday, and you can still donate via WisePay.

Thank you for your generous donations to the Reverse Advent Calendar- the Food Bank are coming to collect the donations next week and I am sure they will be delighted with your generosity.

This week, Year 6 had a visit from some BSB Sixth formers to support their learning in French. Lila writes: 'Some boys from BSB visited to talk about Christmas in France. We learnt that, instead of Santa, they have St Nicholas. We also learnt some Christmas traditions that are similar to ours, such as eating turkey. We played games in French like bingo. We learnt some new words- elfe (elf), Lumiere de toile, and etoile (star).

Football news!

Well done to our Year 6 football team who have won the Pokemon Primary Schools' Regional championship and will now proceed to the next round of the competition in March! Thanks to Mr Sparks for taking them to the matches and coaching them on the day!



We have a busy week planned for next week – so there is lots of information in this newsletter!

Monday, 16th December is a usual school day. Year 4 children should come back to school for their Advent service in the evening. They should wear full winter uniform for this event. The service starts at 6.00pm – the children must not arrive at school before 5.45pm. This event is by ticket only as space is limited in the hall.

Tuesday, 17th December is a usual school day.

Wednesday, 18th December is our Christmas party day! The children can come to school wearing party clothes – please remember they will be outside at play time and lunch time so need suitable footwear and a coat. There are two discos in the evening – **Year 3 and 4** from 5.00pm to 5.45pm, and one for **Years 5 and 6** at 6.00pm to 6.45pm. Please drop your child off at the main reception, and please take their coat home with you. There is no charge for this event, thanks again to the PSA. There will be a tuck shop – your child will need tokens to shop. These can be bought online – maximum £2.00 spend per child. NB: all children must be collected by an adult, and no child is to bring a mobile phone with them.

Thursday, 19th December is a normal school day, children should wear uniform, apart from the children in St Francis' house (see below).

On **Friday, 20th December**, the children are invited to wear Christmas jumpers! They can wear them over their uniform, or wear their own clothes on their lower half – which ever they prefer. School will finish at 2.50pm that day as usual.

Christmas Raffle

Thanks to all of you who have bought numbers for our super Christmas Raffle – don't forget that **9.00am on Monday 16th December** is the deadline for buying tickets, as we will be drawing the raffle on Christmas Party day (18th December).

Key rings on bags

Thank you very much to those of you who have 'culled' the keyrings on your child's book bag / reading folder! If you haven't done so please talk to your child and select no more than ONE keyring for their bag. (Obviously they don't need one at all.) We will be asking children to remove any extra keyrings and bring them home.

Parish carol service

Please see the attached flyer about a change of location for the parish carols planned for the 28th December

Christmas cards

Our Christmas 'postal' service is now open! If your child would like to send Christmas cards to their friends, they can put them in our post box and they will be delivered. Please put the class or year group on to help the posties! Please do not put sweets or chocolates in the cards.

Clubs

All after school activities (apart from SWOOSH) have now finished for the term and will be returning the second week in January (week commencing 13th January)

Hot School Meals

Please ensure you read the letter sent home on 3rd December regarding the new hot school meal ordering portal with our catering supplier, Forerunner. Please register your accounts and order your child's meals for after Christmas ASAP.

Housepoint winners

Well done to the children in St Francis' house, who have won the housepoint challenge this half term! They can wear mufti (with something green) on Thursday, 19th December.

Stars of the Week

Super Role Model:

RP: All of RP; RJ: All of RJ; 1JC: all of 1JC; 1WH: All of 1WH; 2NW: Elizabeth; 2MS:Finley; 3DB:Mattias; 3NL:Isaac; 4DC: Hugo 4PM Logan; 5RH:Poppy; 5JC:Ariana; 6KB:Pierre; 6HT:Mabel.

Learning Champion

RP: All of RP; RJ: All of RJ; 1JC: Eriife; 1WH:Jay; 2NW:Rio; 2MS:Horacio; 3DB: Malika; 3NL:Joshy; 4DC:Finn; 4PM:Liam; 5RH:Joao Luca; 5JC: Ruben; 6KB:Julia; 6HT:Kuba .

Please look at page two for an update on our Mermaid Tail!

Dates for your diary:

Mon 16 th Dec	6.00pm	Year 4 Advent Service
Tues 17 th Dec	2.00pm	Year 2 Carols and Mince Pies
Wed 18 th Dec	All day	Christmas party day
Wed 18 th Dec	5.00-5.45pm	Year 3 & 4 Disco
Wed 18 th Dec	6.00-6.45m	Year 5 & 6 Disco
Fri 20 th Dec	2.50pm	End of term – Christmas jumper day

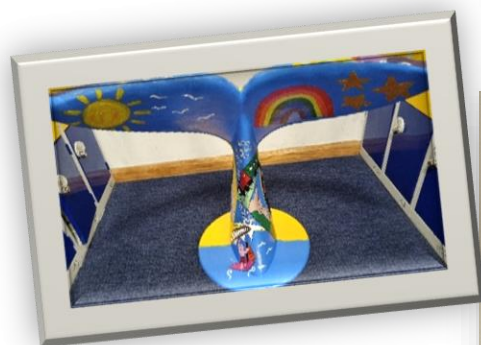
Wishing you a lovely weekend

Veronica Woodward

Veronica Woodward,
Headteacher



Our Mermaid Tail is complete and about to be taken to Julia's House, before it goes on display somewhere in Bournemouth! Our theme was 'Our School, Our Faith, Our Community'.



Congratulations to all the children who participated in the competition and put great effort into their designs! There were some truly amazing ideas, making it difficult to choose just one winner. We selected our favourite design from each year group, so congratulations to the following children:

- Aria from Reception
- Freya from Year 1
- Elizabeth from Year 2
- Skyler from Year 3
- Zayden from Year 4
- Deysi from Year 5
- Esme from Year 6



We combined our favourite elements from each design to create a final product that we are very pleased with! We believe it represents our school, faith, and community very well, even our school archway makes an appearance!



Many thanks to Mrs Huntley, Mrs Short, Miss Addis and especially the art ambassadors for all their hard work in creating such a beautiful display. I wonder where it will end up and who will spot it on display first?

We raised a total of £170 so far for Julia's House through this project so thank you for your support! We will continue to raise money for Julia's House – there is a product open on WisePay should you wish to donate. Thank you.

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