



IF WE BELIEVE, WE CAN ACHIEVE

COLLABORATION - CONNECTIVITY – INDEPENDENCE – INNOVATION – QUESTIONING – REFLECTION - RESILIENCE

Dear parents and carers,

The festive season has finally arrived and the weather helped us get in the mood with some snow!!! The pantomime yesterday got the whole school feeling 'christmassy' and today the children 'wowed' us with their craft making for decorations day! Thank you to those parents and grandparents who helped out and thank you to Parents and Friends who provided both the coach travel yesterday and the resources today.

Parents and Friends (thanks to fundraising by parents) have also supported the school with an order of 20 iPads, a recharging trolley and cases. These will be in place in January. In the New Year we would like to invite parents in to see just how we are using computing to motivate the children and enhance their learning experiences.



Thank you to those families who have returned the scheme reading books – for those who haven't yet, please could you return any books still at home on Monday.

We had a lovely array of contributions for mufti day today – thank you and please see below for contribution ideas next Friday.

Christmas Hamper contributions!



Next Friday as well as wearing our Christmas jumpers for decoration day, it is also a non uniform day when children can bring a contribution towards our hamper raffle prizes. Please see a list of dates below (these are also on the dates section of the school website)

Friday 8th December

Explorers/Adventurers - Biscuits/ jams/ chutneys

Voyagers - bottles / crisps/ savouries

Navigators/Pioneers –Mince pies / chocolates/ sweets



Parents and Friends Christmas BINGO!

This Thursday is the Christmas Bingo event at the village hall. This is always a fun evening with great prizes!

Clubs next term

Tuesday Lunchtime: Harry Potter Reading club for KS2 with Miss Hill

Tuesday Lunchtime: Helicopter stories Adventurers and Year 1

Wednesday 3pm-4pm : Running Club Year 2 -Year4

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm : Construction Club Years 3 and 4

Thursday 3pm – 4pm Home Learning (Invite only)

Friday Fine Diners

Congratulations to our fine diners this week who dined with me this week. They were chosen by their teachers to bring along a friend for displaying the qualities of our Jigsaw learning this week.



A snapshot of learning for this week:

Explorers have



This week, in Adventurers, we have enjoyed retelling the story of Dick Whittington to help us find out more about this famous character! We made a story map to help us tell the story as a class and then drew pictures and wrote sentences about our favourite parts. This was an amazing build up to our exciting pantomime trip...where the story was brought to life!



Voyagers we have been writing newspaper reports about Laika the space dog, starting a 'Spirals' unit in art Which will link to space and of course there was the giant show and tell and decorations day!

Please could Miss Hill ask for some egg boxes to come into school next week!

Navigators and Pioneers have been learning how to use a sliding mechanism in DT, using technology to create a word bank of interesting vocabulary, writing free verse poetry to describe the setting of our book 'Into the Forest' and discussing and writing balanced arguments.

A snapshot of learning for next week:

Explorers will be learning about winter trees.

Next week the Adventurers will be looking forward to getting festive to help us answer the question, how is Christmas celebrated?

Voyagers will be writing letters to Father Christmas and designing their moon buggies.

Next week Navigators and Pioneers will be going to be running through our final practices for the play, using our learning about sliding mechanisms to design and make a Christmas card and discussing what Christmas means to us.

Upcoming Dates

Thursday 7th December Christmas Bingo at the Village Hall **Friday 8th December** Film Night and hotdogs (P&F fundraiser)

Friday 8th December Mufti day – Bring a gift for the hampers

Film Night Year R – Year 4

Monday 11th December Nursery, Year R and Year 1 Nativity Production at the church 1:30pm and 6pm

Wednesday 13th December Christmas Lunch

Polar Express Reading Event organised by Reading Ambassadors (letter to follow)

Thursday 14th December Years 2,3 and 4 production of 'The Wind in the Willows' 1:15pm and 6:30pm in the school hall

Tuesday January 2nd/ Wednesday January 3rd **INSET DAYS**

Thursday 4th January Back in School

Wednesday 10th January Maths input for Year 1 parents 9am – 9:45am

Kind regards,



Mrs Rachael Musselwhite (Headteacher)