

Jesus said "Love one another as I have loved you" John 13v34

ST PETER'S NEWSLETTER

December 2024



Dear Parents and Carers

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very joyful and peaceful Christmas and may you know God's blessing at this special time. Thank you for all your support this term to help give our children the best opportunities we can, to help them to fulfil their potential and try new, exciting learning.

We look forward to welcoming you back in the New Year on Tuesday 7th December.

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Sarah Dunning
Head Teacher



A Bundle of Joy—KS1 Nativity



With a cast of 90 children plus plenty of tinsel and tea towels, KS1 were excited to perform 'A Bundle of Joy' to families. We heard the Nativity through the eyes (and aching hooves) of Grumble – the grumpy donkey who travelled with Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem. Along the way, Grumble met travellers, shepherds, naughty sheep and the Wise Men before discovering the real joy of Christmas. We are very proud of all the children who spoke clearly and confidently, sang enthusiastically and told us the story to remind us why we celebrate Christmas.

KS2 Carol Service at St Peter's Church



Many thanks to the families who joined us for our annual carol service. The children read beautifully and it was both an uplifting and reflective service. We were especially pleased to be able to present the Reverend Jacqueline with a wonderful banner made by children in Mrs Curry's sewing club. It brings out the words: Love, Joy and Peace and will be hung in the church for everyone to see.



Phyllis Tuckwell Reindeer Run

The whole school donned their elf hats and reindeer antlers for our traditional Reindeer Run in aid of Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice Care. Phyllis Tuckwell have collected all the sponsorship donations and will let us know in due course the total of funds raised.

Japanese club



This term in Japanese Club the children have learned to of greetings, written cards to our link school Keio Yokohama Elementary and learned how to make sushi!



Weydon Carollers



This week, our lunchtime was brightened up by the Weydon Junior Choir, who went on their annual tour of Farnham school to sing Christmas songs. This helped the younger students to build their confidence performing in front of an audience in advance of their own Christmas concert. Thank you Weydon Junior Choir for spreading festive cheer!

Nativity EYFS & Green Shoots

The Early Years children put on a wonderful show retelling the Nativity Story. They performed with such confidence and sang their little hearts out. They certainly did us proud!



RHS School Gardening Awards



We have received both level 1 & 2 RHS school gardening awards! Well done everyone, especially the children in gardening club, for all your hard work. On to level 3!

Lots of Gardening News



This term our children from nursery to year 6 have enjoyed loads of experiences in the woods: cooking and eating from the fire, Autumn fun in the leaves, pond exploration using tools such as palm drills and saws, harvesting crops and not to mention Christmas crafts for all from wreaths to Santas.



We have had two forest school/ garden sales selling local produce and crafts made by the children. We would like to thank you all for your support, money raised goes back into our wonderful outdoor areas.



Christmas around the world



This week in assembly, some children who have links with different countries, presented Christmas around the world. It was interesting for us to learn how Christmas is celebrated in different ways according to cultural traditions but that the core message of **The Messiah** is constant round the world.

Earrings

Please do not get your child's ears pierced over the Christmas holidays as there won't be time for them to be removed for the start of the year. We have a zero earrings policy and they will have to be removed.

Dates for your Diary

6th January: INSET DAY

7th January: children back at school for Spring term

8th January: clubs being promoted in assembly

15th – 16th January: Y2, 5 & 6 NSPCC workshops

17th January: Y2 Florence Nightingale workshop

Christmas lunch



On Wednesday, Twelve15 served a wonderful and festive Christmas lunch to the whole school. Thank you the PTFA for providing everyone with a Christmas cracker.



Another big thank you to Travis Perkins Farnham for their generous sponsorship of our outdoor areas.



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