



9TH DECEMBER 2024

Last Week's Round-up...

It was a super first festive week of the Christmas season. I have thoroughly enjoyed hearing the children practising for their upcoming performances this week - you're all in for a super festive treat! Following the St Michael's Christmas Tree festival last week, Oak class and Tic Toc made some wonderful Nativity scenes and these were on display at St Paul's church all weekend. Pear and Plum classes had a super outing at the beginning of the week when they headed to the Post Office to send their letters to Father Christmas. Let's hope they've made it to the North Pole and everyone stays on the 'good list'! You may have seen the silk painting that some of our UKS2 children were involved with creating when it was shared on Facebook during last week. I've shared the picture below. I think this artwork of these wonderful buildings from our town are just stunning and I'm proud that so many of our students were involved in creating them.

What's on this week...

It's going to be a busy one... take a moment to get all of the important dates and times down in your diary!

Our festive performances begin on Tuesday afternoon when Reception and KS1 give their first performance of Lights, Camel, Action! This begins at 13.45. This is followed by their second performance on Wednesday at 09.45.

LKS2 take up the performance baton on Wednesday at 13.45 for their first performance of Aladdin Trouble. They give their second performance on Thursday at 18.00.

Choir are heading to the Elderberries Christmas party on Wednesday to sing at 12.00. They will then follow this by a quick festive sing at Starbucks at 13.15 on Friday. Parents are warmly welcomed to join us at Starbucks if they would like to hear us. UKS2 are heading 'doon the pit' this week with Larch and some children from Sycamore visiting Woodhorn on Monday, followed by Rowan and the rest of the children from Sycamore on Wednesday.

Please remember that there are no teacher led clubs now for the rest of this term.



Secret head teacher spots...

This week's spot comes with a special well done and thank you to all the families from Pear, Oak, Beech and Maple. Lunch was booked for every child every day in these classes which meant that admin staff did not have to do any chasing to ensure that children could have a meal at lunchtime. Thank you - this makes a huge difference!

Gold stars to you all :)



A HUGE WELL DONE TO...

Don't forget that everyone is welcome to join us at St Paul's church at 13.45 on Thursday 19th December for our annual Christingle service. Children from Years 1-6 will join us at the church. UKS2 will lead this special service for us all.

KS1 children will make Christingles in school with Sarah Hamer and friends from the Ignite charity.

Children in KS2 are invited to bring a Christingle to school on Wednesday 18th or the morning of Thursday 19th December to decorate St Paul's church. If your child would like to take their Christingle home, they MUST label it with their name and class. . Elliott Jess, Joshua Patten, Annabelle Clements, Myla Packard, Nico Watson, Ruby Hollingworth, Jack Boutell, Lexi Adamson, Alex Jepson. **We are very proud of you all!**

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone to our performances in the coming two weeks. Please remember that not all children have photographic consent in school and for that reason no photos or videos should be taken. We will share photos of the performances with you via the website.

Please can I also ask that during performances, everyone takes a seat. Particularly, please can I ask that audience members do not stand at the back of the hall. Thank you for your co-operation.

If anyone attending the performances requires support with access to the school hall, please get in touch and we'll be happy to help.





HAVE A LISTEN TO THIS...

Another tune to keep us in the festive spirit, this time from Leopold Mozart. Leopold was the father of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=3j4-Ny_DDS4</u>



