



# Key Stage One - Autumn 2 - Newsletter

Christmas has arrived after a very busy half term full of fun and exciting learning opportunities. The children have been working extremely hard and have thoroughly enjoyed the build up to this festive time of year! Children and their teachers have looked forward to the filming of the Christmas performance. We hope that you enjoy watching the Christmas production on Facebook.



## Year 1 - Mathematics

The children have experienced a highly positive half term and have made progress in many curriculum areas. The pupils have developed their knowledge in the mathematical area of money; they have learnt to recognise coins and notes of different denominations and have developed the ability to calculate using coins. The children have also developed their understanding of capacity. It would be highly advantageous if you could support your child with this understanding in the home setting.



## Year 1 - Religious Education

The children have further developed their understanding of the Christmas story and have explored why Christians celebrate Christmas. The pupils have investigated the meaning of giving gifts at Christmas time. The children have developed their artistic flair and have created their own gifts consisting of baubles and Christmas cards. The children are looking forward to giving their gifts to someone special for Christmas.



## Year 2 – Science

The children have learnt that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited. They have been able to describe how different habitats provide the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other. The children have been able to identify and name a variety of plants and animals in local habitats, including microhabitats. Bill Oddie is the significant person that the children have explored and learnt about during this topic. The children have discovered that he is an avid bird watcher and likes to protect habitats for birds. The pupils made their own binoculars and went out into the school grounds to see which birds they could spot and identify. The children also created their own habitats; they thought carefully about which animals and plants would live there.



### PE kit reminder

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school at all times this next half term. The children have some wonderful sporting lessons ahead of them and they must be properly dressed in a white t-shirts, black shorts and black plimsolls.

### Attendance

It is imperative that attendance continues to rise for all children so that they do not miss any of the important learning that takes place at school. The best attending class of the week has received a choc-ice treat! Here are the attendance figures for this half term:



<b>Mr Todd Class 3</b>	94.2%
<b>Miss White Class 4</b>	88.6%
<b>Mrs Taylor Class 5</b>	93.1%
<b>Ms Bradley Class 6</b>	91.3%

### 100% Attendance Club!

Some children have managed to be in school every single day this half term - we are very proud of them!

### This Term's Certificates

Theme	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6
<b>Encouraging Others</b>	Layla Stephenson Billy Liddle	Isla-Jane Whiteway- Wilkinson Jonny –Junior Taylor	Fallon Hutchison Damian White	Harley Barker Leyla Blythe-Forster
<b>Collaboration</b>	Brian Tomczak Sophie Taylor	Henry O'Neil Leeona Stabler	Jude Harcourt Logan Litten	Riley Scarr Holly Barningham
<b>Caring</b>	Nathan Finney Mia Lyle	Annie Bareham Sara McCaw	Aron Aziz Maisy Oxley-Park	Rio Hepper Nala Clarke
<b>Community</b>	Natalie Correia Jamie Littlefair	Sophie Noble Scarlett Hartley	Alex Robson Myah-Leigh Rowland	Mohammed Rashid Polly Durham
<b>Communicating well</b>	Ellianna-Rose Wardell Kaydon Rowland	Jonny-Junior Taylor Jason Bruce	Daniel Hunter Chloe Bruce	Lilia Whitty Erin Nelson
<b>Connecting Through Art</b>	Alekszandra Demeter Noah Sinclair	Alaina Taylor Lucas Abel	Kaitlin Milner Mason Longstaff	Isaac Dent Savanah Edwards
<b>Wonderful Progress</b>	Jamie Metcalfe Lexi Stokes	Teddie Bowerbank Elexis Harrison	Charlie Heath-Vasey Cameron Maguire	Florence-Anne Storey and Jayden-Lee Hills

**Congratulations to all of the children who received certificates.**

**The Key Stage One team look forward to welcoming the children back in school after the Christmas holiday and hope you have a wonderful festive season.**

**Children are back to school on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021.**