



Headteacher Newsletter 15th December 2023

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Key Dates:	
15 th December Last day of term	10 th January - Beauty and the Beast theatre performance
2 nd January INSET Day	18 th January - Year 2 visit to orchestra

Communications this week:	
Holiday Flu Clinics	

Dear Parents & Carers,

Wow what a busy, fantastic week we have had to finish off our first term of the year. The children have been amazing, they have worked so hard over the whole term and the progress they have made has been brilliant.

Thank you to all the staff for putting together the wonderful performances, this has taken hours of preparation and rehearsals, I am sure you will agree that the children performed so well and the shows were very impressive! A big well done to everyone.

A massive thank you to the HSPTA for all of their fundraising events over the term, as always they have worked so hard and raised lots of funds for the school. A special thank you to Liz Dodd for organising the Santa Dash today, the children had a wonderful time and loved dashing through the snow! The HSPTA are funding a special theatre performance of Beauty and the Beast for the whole school in the new year which is such a lovely Christmas gift from them to the children.

Charity Donations to Great Ormond Street Hospital

Thank much to everyone who donated online or by cash at the end of our performances, we raised an amazing £511.95! It is wonderful to be able to give back to a charity that have helped one of our families so much.

Christmas Library Sessions

Please see the attached poster with information about a range of family fun sessions being held at Chandler's Ford library this coming Christmas holiday.

12 Top Tips for a Tech Free Christmas

Please see the attached poster giving you hints and tips on enjoying a tech free Christmas!

Learning Highlights from Each Year Group

Year R

We have come to the end of a very busy first term in Reception! All the children have worked so hard this term learning phonics, exploring number, making new friends and performing in 'Noisy Nativity' this week. We hope you enjoyed the show! The children all worked so hard to learn the songs, their lines and dances, we were very proud of them all! This week has been filled with lots of fun Christmas crafts, making cards and enjoying our class parties. We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

Year 1

This last week of term has been a busy one! The Year 1 children have worked very hard in their performances of 'Hey Ewe!' and it was wonderful to see their final dances, songs and acting skills. Thank you so much for providing the costumes and helping the children learn their lines. The children looked wonderful in their Christmas performances. Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed their fun parties on Thursday afternoon and particularly enjoyed the games.

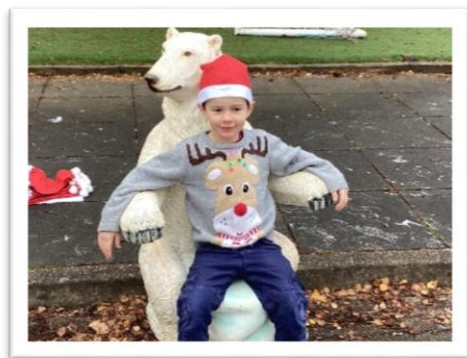
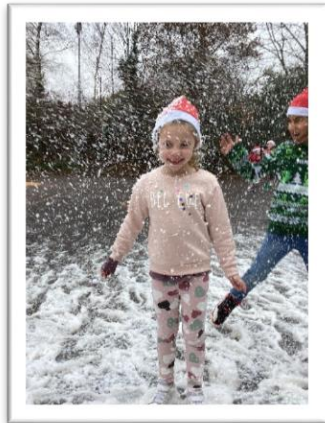
Well done to all the children for their hard work and we hope you all have a restful Christmas. Our Spring Term topic is called 'Incredible Environments'.

Year 2

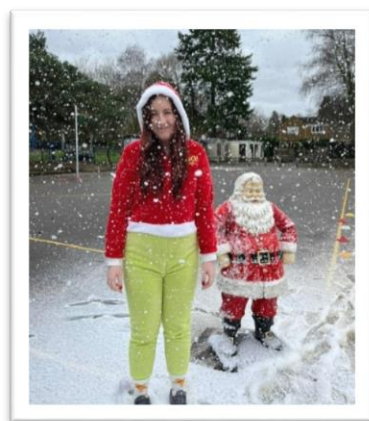
As the term and 2023 comes to an end, we continue to be so impressed with the children and their achievements. They have finished their learning journeys this week to make their planned vehicle in DT and also learn about the importance of the advent candle in RE. They have had a fantastic final week performing their winter production and it was so lovely to have so many of you with us to watch them sing, act, dance and shine! Thank you so much for all your support with costumes they all looked fantastic. As well as the show, the children have enjoyed their class parties and the amazing 'Santa Dash' arranged by the HSPTA. We would like to thank them for making this special event happen for the children. We would like to thank you all as a team for your continued support and wish you a very Merry Christmas with your families. We look forward to welcoming you back in the new year.

Santa Dash!

We all had a great time dashing through the snow today!



Best dressed teacher award goes to Miss Cross as The Grinch!



Wishing you all a wonderful time with your friends and families over the festive season!

Kind regards
Phillippa Longman

