

Newsletter No. 13

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Christmas Giving

We are NOT taking part in Christmas jumper day this year as we feel there are other ways that we can support charity at Christmas without there being pressure placed on families to buy Christmas jumpers at an expensive time of year. The day can be quite hard for those children that don't have jumpers and we don't want anyone to feel left out. Therefore we are proposing that we have a collection for the foodbank, which will we deliver in the final week of term – families can make a donation if they wish, however big or small. Please bring in anything that is non-perishable (tins, packets etc) or toiletries/baby items by **TUESDAY 17th DECEMBER** in order for us to get it over to The Hope Centre for Christmas – it might be nice if items have a Christmas theme to them, but everything is very welcome!



DATES

December

- 9th** Book People Book Bus
- 11th** FS/KS1 Performance A Christmas Performance 2pm
- 11th** FS/KS1 Performance B 5pm
- 12th** FS/KS1 Performance B 2pm
- 12th** FS/KS1 Performance A 5pm
- 13th** School Christmas Lunch
- 16th** Y3 Christmas Carol Concert 5.30pm
- 17th** Flu Vaccinations
- 18th** Year 1 Theatre Trip
- 19th** Class Christmas Party Afternoon
- 20th** End of Term
- January**
- 6th** School reopens

Attendance

6TG	100%
4CS	97.84%
3GH	97.2%
3JC	96.43%
2SB	95.67%
1LA	95.17%
4PW	94.8%
RKB	94.6%
6GD	94.1%
5BM	94.1%
2MM	93.33%
5AS	93.23%
1LB	91.43%
RLB	90.37%

The Book People Book Bus will visit school on Mon 9th Dec, opening for sales before 9am and again from 3.15pm onwards. If you cannot make these times, the leaflets being sent home details how you can still buy books. Any online orders over £10 will generate £1 for us to spend on school library books. Please take this opportunity to find some great Christmas presents.



School Dinners



Please look out for an email from School Grid regarding booking school lunches from January with our new provider Dolce.



Superstars

Well done to all our superstars this week – lots of you have been showing kindness this week, which was lovely to hear!



Good Work

We had lots of Maths superstars this week who all explained their learning really well – plus some fabulous artwork and wonderful writing.



Bronze Award

Lots of children received their bronze awards this morning – well done everyone for getting your first 100 dojos!



KS2 Kurling



On Wednesday this week, 4 children competed in the Northampton SSP School Games KS2 New Age Kurling Competition at Benham. They boys had a great time competing against other schools and got really stuck into the tactics of the game! After winning three and losing two they finished 3rd in their group, unfortunately not progressing to the next round. This didn't dishearten the boys however as they really enjoyed the competition.



Advent Acts of Kindness

In assembly on Monday, we decided on five acts of kindness that we were all going to try and complete this week at school (one of super-stars this morning received her certificate for managing to complete all five!). The five things we chose were: helping an adult by doing a job, helping a friend who was stuck in class, holding the door open for someone, playing with someone who looked like they might be lonely and giving a high five to someone to make them smile. We reminded ourselves that one of our school rules is 'We are Kind' and thought about how Christmas is a time for giving and kindness costs nothing. Next Monday we will choose five more and see how we get on!

*No act of kindness,
no matter how small,
is ever wasted.*
- Aesop



We had a gift box of books arrive unexpectedly from the Siobhan Dowd Trust and the children have been enjoying unwrapping these in assemblies this week. The books will be shared, firstly among children in Nurture, and then placed in the school library. What a lovely surprise for Advent! Meanwhile, we have been marking the run-up to Christmas during class visits to the library by opening Mrs Rew's mystery books, each one containing a hidden gem just waiting for a reader. Exciting times!



Year 5/6 Tag Rugby



On Friday last week, the Year 5/6 Girls Tag Rugby team competed in the NTSSF Girls Tag Rugby Tournament at Caroline Chisholm School. The girls had so much fun and

demonstrated all the school values throughout the tournament. Winning two and narrowly losing two, they finished 3rd overall. It was a fantastic team effort for the girls and a great opportunity to put the skills into practice that learnt in PE and After School Clubs last term.

Coats for Kids

We accept donations of all children's coats, any age as long as they are in a useable condition. We will pass them onto children and their families who need extra support during the winter season.

