

The Bythams Weekly Newsletter

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Friday 3rd December 2021

The Christmas fairy lights are twinkling away - many thanks to Rasells for our gorgeous tree which was delivered earlier this week! Our Christmas class post boxes are also now all in situ ready for post. Please do ensure that any cards are brought into school by Friday 10th December so that they can be distributed in the final week of term. Information will be sent out next week about how you will be able to view the recordings of our Nativity and Christmas performances.

Please do ensure that we hold the most up to date contact details for you. In an emergency, or the event of an ill child, it is imperative that we are able to make contact with you and there have been a few occasions recently when it has been difficult to get in touch. Please just drop an email to the office when details need to be updated.

A reminder that next week will be the final week of school run after school clubs.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Martin

Cold Weather

With the weather turning colder, please ensure that children come to school with a warm coat, hats, gloves and scarves. Children should also have jogging bottoms for PE so that they keep warm.

Please ensure all items are named!

Key Dates

w/c 13th Dec

No clubs this week

15th Dec - Panto trip

16th Dec - Christmas lunch and Christmas outfit day

17th Dec - last day of term

Christmas Holidays

Monday 20th December to Monday 3rd January

Term 3

Tues 4th Jan to Fri 11th Feb

This week's award winners are:

Hedgehogs Class

Bonnie received the Award of Excellence for putting others before herself and being a kind friend.

Sapphire has received the Handwriting Award this week for her big improvement when writing her name.

Squirrels Class

Aaron for his amazing communication skills this week.

Oliver P for his great enthusiasm and positive attitude towards his learning.

Poppy has received the handwriting award for working hard to consistently keep her letters the same size.

Foxes Class

Sam and Dottie win the award of excellence awards this week for both writing a fantastic set of instructions in English.

Magdalena has achieved the handwriting award this week for consistently joining her handwriting in all written pieces of work.

Badgers Class

Sam for his excellent work and attitude in all areas of learning - he always tries his best and shows great understanding across the curriculum.

Peter for his infectious enthusiasm both in the classroom and outside on the playground.



PE for Term 2

Hedgehogs - Thursday

Squirrels - Friday

Foxes - Wednesday

Badgers - Friday

Please remember to send your child into school wearing uniform and with a separate bag for kit to change at school this term!



We understand that children are sometimes ill but we are celebrating attendance each week. If your child is well enough to be here, please ensure that they are!

This week's attendance:

91.5%

Hedgehogs Class

Hedgehogs have decorated their classroom ready for Christmas this week. The children have some amazing costumes to use during the day, they have written cards to Father Christmas and decorated the tree. We have a beautiful nativity scene, the children love re-telling the Christmas story to each other.

We also have a nice new reading area, to tell each other Christmas tales and stories.



Squirrels Class

Squirrels have had a very busy week this week, completing some fantastic pieces of independent writing, as well as getting in the Christmas spirit by decorating the classroom.



In English, we have been focusing on the story *The Gingerbread Man*, acting it out and writing character descriptions, enabling us to retell the story in our own words—some of us writing more than a page and using amazing adjectives!



This week was also our last week of going to the Witham for PE. We have had a great term there and feel very fortunate to have been able to have gone.



Foxes Class

On Friday last week, Foxes class really enjoyed making Anglo-Saxon bread. They mixed the ingredients and rolled their dough into bread rolls. Do you know what the missing ingredient is in Anglo-Saxon bread?

This week, Foxes have worked really hard to write a set of instructions for how to train a dragon and in Maths children have continued working on times tables and multiplication.

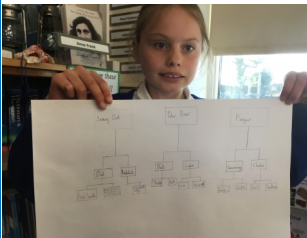
Foxes class are enjoying learning a special dance for our Christmas performance and they can't wait to show it off in a few weeks time!



Badgers Class



This week in Badgers Class, we have been focussing on Hinduism in RE. We have learnt about the festivals of Diwali and Holi; Hindu gods and goddesses; and the significance of the lotus flower in the religion. The children presented their work beautifully, as you can see in the photo.



In computing, we have been looking at how websites are designed. The class created their own website navigation maps for a website about polar animals.

