# The Bythams School Newsletter 

## Friday 8th December 2023

This week, with much excitement, the first full rehearsal of our Christmas concert took place. The children have been working hard to learn their song lyrics. Thank you to parents who have returned their forms for tickets. FOBS will be serving refreshments, and we look forward to seeing you all.

We are also looking forward to our Pantomime outing to Grantham Theatre on Tuesday. Children who have a school lunch will have sandwiches provided, as we return for lunch later than usual.

This week Mrs Jack and Mrs Morris have created an exciting 'reading road' along the entire corridor so that children can more easily access and be inspired to read some of our wonderful books. The reading road contains a variety of different subjects displayed on themed bookcases to promote a reading journey along the road. There has already been much discussion amongst children as they look at the books, particularly non-fiction, broadening their knowledge and individual interests.

We have converted the old library into a provision for children to learn in a quieter, sensory, relaxing space. Many thanks to Mr Caslin for his hard work to help us move and arrange furniture in developing these additional learning environments in school, and to Mrs Pearse for collating resources. The children are very excited to see these spaces further take shape.

Have a wonderful weekend, Mrs Ives

## Our Class Books

## Squirrels

Bug Belly Froggy Rescue
George’s Marvellous
Medicine.

## Foxes

Eric the Viking Boy

## Badgers

Who let the Gods out!
Mrs Jack's Recommendation
Forever Star by Gareth Peter and Judi Abbot

Tim and Tim, the space heroes, decide to adopt a child who needs a new start. They travel th find...
Little Jim.


## Key Dates

Tuesday $12{ }^{\text {th }}$ December
Whole school visit to
Pantomime

Thursday $14^{\text {th }}$ and Friday $15^{\text {th }}$ December

Whole school Christmas
concert to parents

Tues $19^{\text {th }}$ December
Christmas lunch

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Christmas Fayre 2.00pm

Wed 20 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Dec
Last day of term

## This week's award winners are:

## Squirrels Class

The award for Reception goes to Max for creating fantastic creatures using play dough.
The award for Year 1 goes to Daisy for determination to master understanding of numbers to 20.
The award for Year 2 goes to Darcey for maths and understanding of 2D shape.

## Foxes Class

The achievement award for Year 3 goes to Mason for his use of ambitious vocabulary in writing.

The achievement award for Year 4 goes to Enya for informative writing about the Vikings and confidently reading her work aloud to the class.

## Badgers Class

The award for year 5 goes to Harry for excellent writing in English.
The award for year 6 goes to Ernest for Excellent writing in English.

## PE Days

Tuesday: Squirrels
Foxes to Witham Hall
Wednesday: Badgers

## Wood School

Wednesday: Squirrels
Thursday: Badgers
Friday: Foxes

## Attendance

Well done to Foxes
Class with 93\%
attendance this week.

Our whole school attendance this week was 90.15\%


## Foxes Class

In English this week we have produced informative writing about the Viking facts we have learnt over the course of our topic 'Traders and Raiders.' We watched video clips to inspire our writing and vocabulary and wrote in paragraphs linking our ideas together.


In maths we have continued our learning on multiplication and division. We have been using the counting stick to consolidate our fluid recall of the $3,4,6$ and 8 times tables, using our knowledge of multiplication facts to solve problems involving division.

Congratulations to Maddie in year 3, who is the first person in Foxes class to fill her reading bookmark with stickers for reading 3 times a week at home, receiving the headteacher award of a book to take home and keep.

## Squirrels Class

In science this week Squirrels have been exploring is all humans are the same, looking at the similarities and difference between themselves of those around them. In maths year 1 have been developing their understanding on the numbers 11-20, learning recognise, count and represent these numbers. While year 2 have started looking at 2D and 3D shape. Squirrels have also been getting into the Christmas spirit as they learn their songs for their Christmas performance next week.


## Badgers Class

This week in English, we've been putting our pens to paper as we've been crafting non-chronological reports on Emperor penguins. It's been a fascinating journey learning about these majestic creatures and honing our writing skills in the process.

Over in maths, we've been rolling up our sleeves and tackling the world of fractions. It's been all about gaining confidence with multiplying and dividing fractions by integers.

In computing, we've been taking on the role of tech wizards, as we've been busy editing and improving our websites.


## Wood School - Badgers

To finish off our term learning all about fire and how to stay safe, Badgers have been cooking over fire. They made rainbow toast and then learnt how to make campfire donuts, one item they have been desperate to make all term! Camp fire donuts are small sandwiches coated in


