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Head Teacher's News



Although Christmas is behind us, the vicious stomach bug we had before the holidays meant that this was the week of the Nativity! On Thursday, we welcomed parents and families to watch and on Friday members of the community joined those unable to make Thursday's who were performance. The feedback from everyone was absolutely incredible - with good reason! Badgers, Otters and Hedgehogs put on the most incredible display on both mornings. It is always a challenge for anyone to stand up in front of a crowd and perform, whether it is acting, singing or dancing, but our children were fearless and shone so brightly on the stage. We can now, officially, say



that Christmas is over!

Next week is full of action. On Monday, the children will be taking part in an NSPCC 'Speak Out' assembly. This is resource run by the NSPCC that strengthens children's ability to identify and challenge actions and behaviours that make them uncomfortable by providing them with a toolkit for how they can seek help.

On Wednesday, everyone will be taking part in a slightly delayed Epiphany service at St Mary's Church. Visiting the church is always a wonderful experience and I know the children will really enjoy the experience. If you haven't completed the google form to provide permission, please follow the link: <u>St Mary's Church Visit</u>.

On Thursday at 7:30pm, it is the first PTA meeting of 2024. There are plenty of events to get ready for, including the Family Disco, so please do try and make it along to the school to contribute with ideas and help.

On Friday, our Eco and School councils will be travelling to <u>FCC Greatmoor</u> for a day of exploring the amazing site, including visits to the waste bunker, the control room and the Turbine Hall. This visit has been arranged by Miss Macleod and is going to be a great opportunity for the children to work with the staff on site to identify processes and activities that they can bring back and implement in our school to help us on our eco journey.

Sadly, today we said 'see you soon' to Miss Rodbourne. Miss Rodbourne has been with us for several years and has worked in our Y3/4 and Y5/6 classroom. During this time, she has made a wonderful, long-lasting impression on our school community and has made a real difference to the children of our school. We wish her the very best for the future and hope she will come back to see us!

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To finish on a positive, I am absolutely delighted to report that Mrs Irwing will be rejoining the school to work in our Y5/6 classroom and across the school as a whole. I know how valued (and missed) Mrs Irwing is, and so it is just incredible that she has agreed to come back to work with us. She will be back on the team after half term.

Have a great weekend and we will see you on Monday.

Sam Browne

Head Journalists

RECEPTION

The Badgers have finally performed their nativity and they did a fabulous job! In Maths, they are making colourful number staircases.

Y1&2

In English, the Otters & Hedgehogs began their unit of work on 'Beegu' by Alexis Deacon. In Maths they have been adding. They also performed their nativity; they were amazing!

Y3&4

They have been learning about Mount Everest and that Sir Edmund Hilary and Tenzing Norgay were the first humans to ever summit Mount Everest in 1953. Also, Y3/4 explored video editing in ICT. In Science they compared how different things move on different surfaces.

Y5&6

This week in 5/6 they focused on ratio and proportion in maths. In English they created their own Harry Potter wizard and wrote a character description of them. In RE, they wrote a pledge for the New Year which will be unveiled in July. In topic, Y5/6 started their new topic on Invaders and settlers, beginning with Anglo Saxons who then had to deal with Vikings with the help of Alfred the Great.

Forest school

Reception and Y1/2 restocked their handmade birdfeeders and had lots of fun making ice sculptures with their friends. They enjoyed the fresh air outdoors and liked coming back to Forest School.



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Diary Dates

Date	Occasion	Location	Who?
January 2024			
Mon 15 th	NSPCC Speak Out Assembly	School	Children
Weds 17 th @ 9:00am	Epiphany Service (Whole School)	St Mary's Church	All children
Thurs 18 th	PTA Meeting	School	Everyone
Fri 19 th	Eco and School Council visit to FCC Greatmoor	FCC Greatmoor	Eco and School Councils
Tues 23 rd	Science Oxford in School	School Hall	Reception and Year I/2
Weds 24 th @ 7:00pm	Child Safety and Wellbeing Meeting for parents (E Safety, Safeguarding etc)	Zoom	Everyone
Fri 26 th @ 9:10am	Open Worship Starts	School Hall	Everyone
Fri 26 th @ 9:30am	Parent Feedback Forum (Coffee morning)	School Hall	Everyone
Fri 26 th	Y5/6 Swimming Gala	Wycombe Leisure Centre	Selected Team
Fri 26 th	Family Disco	Radnage Village Hall	Everyone
Weds 31 st	NSPCC Workshop	School	Y5/6
February 2024			
Thurs Ist	Young Voices	OVO Arena	KS2
Fri 9 th	Break Up for Half Term	School	Everyone

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