

Coldfair Green Primary News

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Message from the Head

Another really inspiring morning, where the children were once again superb in their innovative design of the pieces they shared in the Christmas Service. Poems were written and performed and Chestnut Class even rewrote the 12 Days of Christmas so we now have our own school version. We heard about the visit of the Angel to Mary and Joseph to announce their surprise and about the meeting the Three Kings had with King Herod. Carols were sung and voices joined together to share in the celebration. We even had a visit from Reverend Mark Lowther and Sam the Lamb, who shared the story of the Birth of Jesus from the sheep's point of view. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. See you on the other side.

Stars of the Week

This week our value has been BEING PROUD OF OURSELVES. Our pupils of the week for being proud of themselves and their achievements are Katie in Oaks class, Sam in Hawthorn class, Chloe in Rowan class, Adele in Chestnut class and Matilda in Silver Birch class. After the holiday the value we will be considering in our assemblies and in lessons will be SELF - RESPECT.

In the Community

The School Choir have been out and about again in the community this week. They raised over £20 singing carols in the Solar Supermarket in Leiston last week. The money was used to purchase food which the children then donated to the food bank. Thank you to the Team at Solar for hosting us. They were busy again on Wednesday evening singing around the Christmas Tree in Mill Hill in Aldringham and mince pies and mulled wine were enjoyed by the grownups afterwards at the Parrot and Punchbowl. Thank you to the Parrot and Punchbowl for hosting this visit. A huge thank you to Mrs O'Dwyer and the staff who attended and who have worked so hard with the choir this term and to all of the parents who made sure their children were able to attend and enjoy joining in.

Daisy has received a Rainbow Swimming Award for swimming 100m. Well done Daisy. Keep up the hard work.

Christmas Jumper Day

Today's Christmas Jumper Day has raised money for Save the Children Fund. We hope the money will go some way towards supporting those children for whom Christmas is a difficult time.

News from the PTA

The School Disco was well attended and the children behaved well. On behalf of myself, the Governors and all of the staff I would like to thank the PTA for all of their hard work this term in ensuring the children receive all the little extras we would be unable to fund ourselves and for working so hard on behalf of all of our children. The PTA are always happy to link with new members and will be holding a coffee morning in school in the new year to share ideas for fund raising. You are all welcome.

School Council

The table top sale raised £64 for the School Council funds. The children are now considering priorities for the items they would like to purchase for use outside at playtimes. They have also been busy writing to the NADFAS Arts organisation in Aldeburgh who have donated £300 to the school to enable us to purchase screen printing equipment. There will be a print making club in the New Year once the new equipment arrives and teachers will be learning how to use it to enable them to develop printmaking in the classroom as a part of our Art and Design teaching. A very big thank you goes to Shelley Cowlin who facilitated this for us.

Attendance

"Ten ticks for a ticket"

Our whole school attendance figure so far is 96.9%. The class with the best attendance this week was Chestnut with 98%. 47 children received 100% Attendance certificates for the whole of the Autumn Term and 66 children for the second half of the Autumn Term. The attendance raffle was drawn in assembly this afternoon and ten more winners received prizes. The winner of the attendance cycle race for this term is Rowan Class with Chestnut a close second. They will receive a treat in the Spring Term and will be going geocaching as a reward.

Reminders

We have a lot of lost property in the bin outside the front window of the office. Please do check it if your child is missing any item of clothing, lunch box or trainers.

Reading

It is important that the children keep reading over the holidays. If you can find a moment to talk to your child about what they have been reading and ask them about the text, or to predict what might happen next this will aid in their comprehension of what has been read. Reading cafes will take place in the second half of the Spring Term.

Diary Dates

18.12.15 End of Term (Last day)

04.01.16 PD Day

05.01.16 Children return to school

08.01.15 Paired Reading

11.01.15 Phonics Café Oaks and Hawthorn

20.01.15 Grammar Café Year 1 Oaks and Hawthorn Class

21.01.15 Grammar Café Rowan, Chestnut and Silver Birch classes

01.02.15 - 05.02.15 Multi-Cultural Week - The Lost Suitcase

05.02.15 Flying on the 5th - 2.30pm Parents to "collect" the children from "the airport" and share in the work we have been doing all week. More details to follow.

09.02.15 Safer Internet Day

11.02.15 Paired Reading

15.02.15 - 19.02.15 HALF TERM

