

# Coldfair Green Primary News

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## Message from the Head

It has been another extremely busy and fruitful week this week at Coldfair Green. Our Careers Fair, as part of our Raising Aspirations Project, went extremely well on Wednesday and the children were extremely excited and motivated by all of our visitors. We hosted a professional Fisherman, Naval Officer, Police Officer, Fitness

Instructor, Carers Advisor from Suffolk One College, a Record Producer and an Accident and Emergency Nurse and the children spent time hearing about their roles and how they got in to that line of work. The children asked challenging questions and thought about their own next steps and ideas regarding other careers they would also like to hear more about. As a result of the discussions during the day we have decided to arrange visits for the older children to some of our local universities and colleges so they can find out more about what it would mean to go to university to pursue their career choices. We will be planning these in for the summer term. A big thank you to Miss Lewis and the School Council for organising the day and taking so many of the children's suggestions on board!

We had another treat on Thursday afternoon when we hosted The Quantum Theatre's performance of The Nutcracker. Having studied the Nutcracker Ballet and The Music at Christmas time last year the children were familiar with the story and really enjoyed watching it come to life in front of their eyes. A very big thank you to the PTA, who funded this production. It was very much enjoyed by all.

Another big thank you to you all for supporting the non-uniform day and providing such super prizes for the raffle hampers. We are looking forward to putting these together on Monday afternoon in readiness for the Christmas Fayre on Wednesday. If you would like to help with making these we will be meeting in the staffroom at 2pm on Monday. Any donations of homemade cakes will be welcome on Wednesday morning and these can be handed in to the school office. Many thanks for your ongoing support.

We have decided to revive the old Coldfair Green Tradition of carol singing round the tree at school. This will take place on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 5.30pm and we plan to offer mince pies, hot chocolate and mulled wine. We are hoping lots of you will join us as we get fully into the Christmas Spirit. We are delighted to be able to announce that the Vocal Harmony Group Treble Clef, have agreed to perform during the evening and look forward to them joining us too.

## Stars of the Week

This week our value has been BEHAVING WELL. Our pupils of the week for behaving well and focusing on their learning are Jai in Oaks class, Brooke in Cherry class, Tom in Hawthorn class, Nicole in Rowan class, Emily in Chestnut class, Chelsy in Silver Birch class and Huey in Redwood class. Our focus on British Values this week has been 'The Rule of Law' and we have talked about how there are different rules and laws in different places and situations and how these are often in place to reduce risk and keep people safe from harm. We have considered the question 'Is life more exciting when we take risks?' and have discussed how risk taking behaviour is dangerous but how we can calculate risk in order to do exciting things in a safer way. We have focused on Online Safety and why taking risks in the online world is just as dangerous as in the

real world, and sometimes more so. Next Week the value we will be focusing on is **GOING FOR GOLD**.

### In the Community

Taylor B has been awarded a merit for an original piece of creative writing. I always enjoy reading the children's writing so much and their job applications this week have been most creative!

### Attendance

"Ten ticks for a ticket"

Our whole school attendance figure for the year so far is 97.10% and for this week is 94.75%. We are aiming high and want our whole school figure to be as close to 100% as possible. The class with the best attendance this week is, Chestnut with 96.19%. ***Two weeks missed a year (the amount of time taken on average for a holiday) for every year during primary school is like missing nine months of a child's primary education and this is the most important time for embedding learning needed for future success as adults.***

### House Points

House	Points so far
Red - Mars	495
Yellow - Saturn	589
Green - Earth	684
Blue - Neptune	561

The following children have gained **ten house point certificates this week**: Brooke, Thomas, Oliver L-W and Tom M. The following children have gained **twenty five house point certificates this week**: Emily R, Edie and Amber. **Golden Behaviour for Learning Certificates** go to Hannah B, Jemma and Corey.

**Random Acts of Kindness Awards** this week go to Amber and Edie. The certificates tell the stories of the kind things our children have done to support others, both within the school and outside in the community. Well done everyone. You should be very proud of yourselves.

### Dates for your Diary

- 06.12.17 Christmas Fayre
- 08.12.17 3.15pm Charity Cake Sale - Epilepsy Awareness
- 11.12.17 2pm & 5.30pm Wriggly Nativity
- 12.12.17 Carols round the tree at Mill Hill
- 13.12.17 2pm Wriggly Nativity
- 14.12.17 Christmas Dinner
- 15.12.17 Carol Service at Church
- 18.12.17 Coldfair Green Carols and Mince Pies
- 19.12.17 Last day of Autumn Term