



YR, Y1 & Y2 really enjoyed performing their plays for you this week. They were very excited to see you in school and to share their Christmas message with everyone. We have taken photos of the children in their costumes and have posted these on the class Seesaw page for you to see or download. We are also in the process of posting the videos of the performances onto our Vimeo site. The link for you to watch and/or download these will also come via Seesaw. Please remember to avoid reposting the videos as not all our children are able to be on social media. Thank you so much for your positive feedback.

Y3 shared the Christmas story with their parents at St Paul's this week as well as sharing it with the rest of the school in worship on Thursday. They did a fantastic job at remembering all their lines and the many, many words to the carols. Thank you to Mr Powell and Mr Champion for accompanying the children on the piano and flute, which is something we cannot usually do in school. Thank you for all your generous donations to the retiring collection – you raised £90, which will be sent to Crisis to support homeless people at Christmas time.



We are absolutely stunned by the amount of items you have all donated for the families at Welcome House. The School Council made up over a hundred bags, which were collected this afternoon and are on their way to the families who need them. You have been very, very generous and have made a huge difference to lots of children this Christmas. Thank you so very much. Please have a look at Welcome House's Facebook page to find out more.

Christmas lunch went down a storm on Wednesday. The children were visited by Santa and his red-nosed helper Rudolph during lunch and all received a small gift from them afterwards. Santa told me that he was very impressed with the children's manners and that they were the best he had **ever** seen – everyone used them without any prompting at all.



Y5 have responded to an appeal from Berkeley Care Home in Hull. Many of the people living in the care home no longer have any family. The care home asked if anyone could send a Christmas card to a resident and make them feel less alone. The children in Y5 wrote some lovely messages and wrote 'Merry Christmas' on the envelope rather than a specific name. We now have a pile of cards ready to be delivered to the home next week. If anyone else would like to write a card and add it to our pile, please send it into school by Wednesday and we will make sure it gets to them. Thank you.

Y6 have the opportunity to take part in Bikeability training, which is a good preparation for their transition to secondary school in September. The forms have been sent home via email. Please return these by Wednesday 20th December so that we can give an indication of numbers. We will need payment early in the spring term to confirm your child's place but we will give details of this when we return after the holidays.



Christmas parties will be happening next week. The children can choose what to wear and can come dressed in their party outfits for the whole day. Please remind them that they will be playing outside during the day and will need to be able to stay warm and dry. The children have all brought home a plain white bag for them to decorate in a Christmas style. Please send the bag back into school containing a snack and a drink for the party. The children won't need much as they will have had their lunch not long before. e.g. a small sandwich, crisps and/or a bun and a carton of drink would be perfect. We have sweets that we give out during the party so the children don't need any extra ones. The bags will be stored in Mrs Ridsdale's fridge until the party. This way

you can make sure your child's specific needs are met, but please remember to **avoid foods containing nuts, including chocolate spreads**, as well as avoiding glass bottles and cans of fizzy drinks. Thank you.

Party days are as follows:

Tuesday pm: YR, Y1 & Y2

Wednesday pm: Y3 & Y4

Thursday pm: Y5 & Y6



Y2 & Y3 swimming lessons will start in January. These are the children's PE lessons for the spring term. The children will need to come dressed in their PE kits and bring their swimming costumes/trunks and a towel in a waterproof bag. They can also bring a pair of goggles if they wish. Y2's lessons will take place on Thursday afternoons, starting **11th January** and

Y3's on Tuesday afternoons from **16th January** for the next ten weeks. As it is a short term, Y3 will have their final lesson on 9th April, which is after the Easter break.

School Achievements:

Children mentioned in Good Work assembly:

(This can be for a good piece of work in any subject, good effort or for showing resilience etc.)

YR: Phoebe, Y1: Brooke, Y2: Alexis, Y3: Jake, Y4: Everyone! Y5: Poppy, Y6: Rosie

Children mentioned for demonstrating any one of our values:

YR: Euan, Y1: George W & Mollie, Y2: Monty & Bobby, Y3: Billy, Y4: Seb, Y5: Chantelle, Y6: Edward M, Ted, Zac

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Feedback: We do appreciate your feedback as it helps us to improve our school further as well as celebrate the things that have gone well, so if you are happy - or not - about something, please let us know.

Parental Feedback:

Date:

Feedback/ Issue:

Name:

Would you like an appointment with Miss Brown to discuss this further?

You can also share your thoughts and opinions, both positive and negative, of our school through the Ofsted site Parent View either by using this address/link, <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>, or typing 'Parent View' into Google.