

Friday Newsletter 20th December 2024

Christmas Celebration Events



Our families were treated to two spectacular performances in school this week as we approach the Christmas holidays. On Monday and Tuesday our youngest children performed their Nativity story 'Angel Express', about a group of angels who wanted to perform a special song for the birth of baby Jesus. Then on Wednesday our Key Stage 2 children sang their hearts out in their Christmas Carol Concert, which told the story of 'The Christmas Eve Tree'.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents and carers for coming into school to see their children, as well as supporting children at home to learn lines. Thank you also for all the positive feedback about the performances – it really gave staff a lift!

We would like to wish all our families a fun-filled peaceful holiday with loved ones. However, we know that Christmas can be a stressful time for many people, so while school is closed, if any of our families require additional support, please use these services.

If you are struggling to cope - Samaritans: 03300 945717

If you are worried about a child - NSPCC: 0808 800 5000

Attendance Matters!

Did you know that if your child misses 1 day every fortnight, they would be classed as 'persistently absent' as they would be missing 10% of their education and would be falling behind in their learning? Please help your child to have the best start in their learning journey by coming to school every day, on time (unless they are poorly!). Thank you.

Superstars Certificates for outstanding work

The following children have all worked their socks off in class and have been awarded a certificate for their great attitude to learning:

Miss Spencer – Jaxson and Nala Mrs Stoves – Aaliyah and Freddie
Mrs Walker – Amelia and Riley P Mr Rose – Daniel and George



Fantastic Behaviour Awards

The children who have impressed their teachers over the last week are:

Miss Spencer – Ivy Mrs Stoves – Lily B
Mrs Walker – Lacey F-W Mr Rose – Johnny

Year 5&6

Engineers

This week, as part of our D.T project, the Year 5&6 pupils have been engineers,



exploring what makes an effective free-standing structure. Using just newspapers,

they were tasked with building the tallest tower they could. We had some very interesting designs but the pupils learnt that the best structures had a solid base, which supported the tower. We certainly have some engineers of the future at Castle View!



Regular Readers The following children have read at home 7 times (or even more!) and we are so proud of them that we want to share their names with you!

Mrs Walker – Kir, Cassidy, Dante, Jayden

Mrs Stoves – Tyler, Klay, Pooya, Lily B

Mr Rose – Amaan, Hollie, Isabella, Sarah, Daniel, James, McKenzie

Well done children – I am so proud of you for continuing to read every day. Fantastic work!

Mrs Stoves' Artists

Year 3&4 children have been making their Christmas Cards this week and have been consolidating all the skills they have learnt this term in their DT lessons by including levers and linkages into the designs – the finished articles look fantastic!



Attendance

This week's winners of the best attendance prize are the children in Miss Stove's class. Well done everyone!

Christmas Break

We break up for Christmas today and return to school on Monday 6th January at the usual time.

Best wishes, C. Bright