



## Key Dates

- 10th November – Anti-Bullying – **Wear Odd Socks**
- 19th November – Non-Uniform Day
- 8th December – Christmas Fayre
- 9th December - Y3/4 Carol Service
- 10th December - Christmas Dinner Day
- 11th December - Y5/6 Carol Service
- 12th December - Grandparents Junior Party (2pm)
- 17th December - Christmas Party Day
- 19th December - Extra Christmas Jumper Day -
- 19th December - Last day of term and the school closes early – 1:15pm.

## Reminders

- We kindly ask that children do not wear jewellery to school.
- Please put names on your children's belongings.
- Bookworts - please ensure the children are reading daily. We thank you for your continued support with this!
- Remember spellings for each week are on our school website.



"I feel safe in school because the teachers create a safe space and the building is secure with high fences."  
- Holly Pearson Y5



Art is my favourite subject because there is no right or wrong answer – you just try your best!"  
- Emilie Ward Y3





# WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN **KS2**?



## A Message from Head Boy and Head Girl

As part of our British Values, we discussed democracy and KS2 voted for their preference of Head Boy and Head Girl.

Head Girl: "I was proud to be selected as Head Girl as I knew I could be a confident and kind leader. I hope I can show kindness and responsibility."

Head Boy: "I am excited to be Head Boy because I would like to improve the school in any way I can. I love helping out."

## Head Girl and Head Boy: Lily Armstrong and Max Thompson



## Commando Joes

In September, the children participated in the launch of Commando Joes. Through the Commando Joe's programme, we will build character, resilience, problem solving skills and work as a team.

## Wednesday Worships

Key Stage 2 have been planning and delivering Wednesday Worships every week. The children have led successful worships and show how they are considering the Gospel Values in their everyday life.

## Bikeability

Bikeability is a program that helps the pupils gain confidence and safety skills! Children learn how to ride safely, understand road signs and enjoy cycling as a healthy, fun way to travel. Encouraging active travel helps build independence and supports our school's commitment to wellbeing and sustainability. Year 4 and Year 5 have now successfully completed the Bikeability program.



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## Bookwarts Reading Display

Across the school, we have rolled out a brand-new Reading Initiative – Bookwarts.

What fun we had when our sorting hat grouped each class into their houses. The name of your child's reading house will be in their Reading Record.

Your child will be awarded **1 point for 5 entries throughout a 7-day week**. When reading with your child, please make a comment in their reading record so that their entries can be counted and so that points can be awarded.

Your child can also receive **2 points for completing a reading task**. Currently, this is something that is being completed within school time. We can look at providing this as an optional activity at home if your children are interested in doing so. Finally, your children can receive **3 points for being a star reader in school**.

The points are collated and recorded, and the children will receive their rewards as a house accordingly.

We would like to thank you for your continual support with your children's reading at home.

## After School Club

We have so many clubs on offer this half term including a new Music Theatre club. This group of 30 children will be putting on a version of 'A Christmas Carol' at St. Aloysius Church in December and the cast are spectacular!

## St. Aloysius Has Talent Auditions

During auditions, many children demonstrated wonderful confidence and determination while performing. From dancing and gymnastics to telling jokes, each child showcased a unique talent worth celebrating.

## Mass

We've had our first mass this half term. The children from Years 1 – 6 visited St. Aloysius church and the children alongside Father Simon delivered a wonderful service. The children sang new hymns which helped the congregation express love, gratitude and reverence toward God and the shared singing helped build a sense of unity and belonging amongst the school and local community.