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## Newsletter – 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020

### Class News

#### Class One



We have been reading lots in Class 1 this week! We have used our sounds to decode and blend 'green' words, practised reading these with a partner and then read short sentences using these words. We have also been reading and writing about 'Stickman'. The children have been finding out about the nativity story and have done some beautiful singing.

#### Class Two



This week, Class 2 have been working in groups to build a castle with a working drawbridge. The children have been doing a great job working together and using their artist skills to paint all the parts of their castle before piecing it together next week.

#### Class Three



Class 3 have worked incredibly hard to finish their volcano DT projects. The final layer of colour has been added and they are ready for their explosive eruptions next week. We were also given the chance for members of the Class 3 choir to Zoom carols to Wheatsheaf care home. We also created some lovely heartfelt messages to residents of the care home through the 'Hearts for homes' initiative.

#### Class Four



This week in Class 4, we have been exploring discussion texts. The children have been learning what the structure of discussion text is and what features are commonly used in one, before practicing some of the skills for themselves. In science we have been investigating the classification of microorganisms, how some are helpful and what they are useful for.

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### Dates & Messages

#### Dates for the diary:

Dec 11 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper Day
Dec 16 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Dinners
Dec 17 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas service End of Term
Dec 18 <sup>th</sup>	School closed
Jan 4 <sup>th</sup>	Teacher Training Day
Jan 5 <sup>th</sup>	Children back to school
Jan 27 <sup>th</sup>	Virtual Staverton's Got Talent
Feb 9 <sup>th</sup>	Safer Internet Day
Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	FoSS Smarties Challenge Last day of term
Feb 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Children back to school
Mar 4 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day Virtual Cake Competition
Mar 25 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Egg Hunt
Mar 26 <sup>th</sup>	Silly Sock Day Last Day of Term
Apr 12 <sup>th</sup>	Children back to school
May 10 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 SATs Week
Jun 29 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day & Stocks
Jul 6 <sup>th</sup>	Reserve Sports Day
Jul 12 <sup>th</sup>	Speech & Awards Day
Jul 16 <sup>th</sup>	Leavers' Service 2pm End of school year

#### Clubs & Music:

The DfE and PDET have instructed schools to cease after school clubs during the lockdown. Wrap around care will continue for essential childcare. Clubs will resume in January.

Monday – Piano & Keyboard  
Tuesday – Strings  
Friday – Guitars

#### Birthday Corner

Happy Birthday to:

Chloe & Darcey



#### Message Board

##### School Closure Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Following advice from the DfE, PDET has made the decision to close all of its schools at the end of day on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December and use Friday 18<sup>th</sup> as a dedicated training day.

##### Christmas Service

A Christmas Service video will be shared with all classes on Thursday afternoon, just as we would all share in going to church. Parents will also be able to access this on the afternoon, or over the Christmas holidays to share the celebrations.

##### Christmas Dinner

Our school Christmas dinners are available on 16<sup>th</sup> December. Christmas dinners will be served to children in classes this year with music and merriment aplenty.

##### Christmas Movie Club

On the morning of Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December, each class will be choosing a Christmas film to watch and FoSS are supplying popcorn, snacks and drinks for all.

##### PE

After Christmas, PE days will switch back to original days, please see below. Children should continue to come to school in PE kit on their PE days.

Class 1 – Monday & Forest School Thursday

Class 2 – Tuesday & Wednesday

Class 3 – Monday & Thursday

Class 4 – Tuesday & Wednesday.

##### Christmas Cards

Christmas cards will be isolated in classes over the weekend and then distributed by staff next week for children to bring home.

##### Winter Uniform

Now the weather has changed and the temperature has dropped, please ensure children are wearing appropriate uniform. Due to Covid protocols, classrooms remain well ventilated and are not as warm as they normally would be in winter.

##### Flu Nasal Vaccination

If your child did not receive the nasal flu spray at school, you can contact 08001707055 (option 4) to book an appointment and receive at a community catch up clinic or your doctor's surgery if in a clinical risk group.

### **Care Home Carols**



On Thursday afternoon, children from Class 3 formed a choir and sang carols to the residents at The Wheatsheaf Care Home in Daventry. Using the magic of technology, we were able to 'Zoom' in on the big screen. We discussed with the children how care home residents had suffered through isolation during the Covid lockdowns and how they were bringing added joy to them this year despite not being able to visit. Thanks to Mrs Young for arranging and practising the singing, and Mechelle Williamson for organisation.

### **Hearts for Homes & Christmas Jumpers**



Staverton have taken part in the 'Hearts for Homes' initiative. Children have designed heart decorations and added personal messages to residents of care homes to display and bring joy and added colour to their environments. We also brought some Christmas cheer to school with our Christmas Jumper Day today.

## Well Done!

### STARS OF THE WEEK:

#### Class 1:

**Ava** – for super Christmas singing.

**Lucas** – for always being such a star.

#### Class 2:

**Elodie** - for trying really hard in her writing.

**Grace** - for her effort and improvement in writing.

#### Class 3:

**Chloe** - for her brilliant enthusiasm for our writing unit and her curiosity about the famous Mount Vesuvius eruption.

**Sophie G** - for her fantastic effort in our Literacy sessions. Her determination to improve her vocabulary is wonderful. Well done!

#### Class 4:

**Liliane** – for her fantastic effort in maths and for always challenging herself.

**William** – for his fantastic positive attitude toward learning.

**Gold Card Winners: 3**

**House Point Winners: Ruby**

## Outside Achievements



William was man of the match on Saturday at football for Daventry Town (Danes) - it was only his second match so well-done William!