



SACRISTON
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NEWSLETTER

8th December 2023



Christmas Events

As we approach the final few weeks of this half term, we are hosting a wide range of Christmas events which parents are invited to. Please make sure you keep a regular check on class dojo and "dates for your diary" section on the bottom of our newsletter.

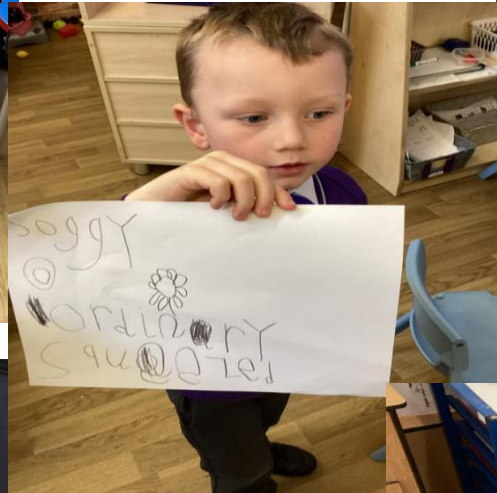
Nursery Learn about Animals

This week Nursery have been reading 'Abigail' and learning about some of the animals in the story. We have explored the various prints of the animals and matched them, and we have had lots of amazing artwork from the children.



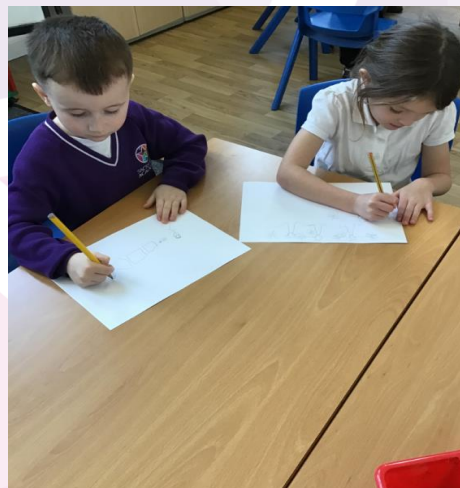
Reception The Blue Balloon

This week Reception have been learning about 'The blue balloon'. The children enjoyed writing our wondrous words, painted their own balloons and ordered the balloons based on their size. If your child is in Reception, ask them what 'Indestructible' means because this is how we described the blue balloon.



Year 1 'The Feeding of the 5000'

This half term Year 1 have been learning about Harvest in their RE lessons. In their lesson this week, Year 1 learned about 'The Feeding of the 5000'. The class learned about the story and how Christians believe that Jesus fed 5000 people using 5 loaves and 2 fish. They thought about how the people in the crowd would have felt, and how they would feel if they saw something like this happen. The class then drew their own images of the story.



Year 2 Get in the Christmas Spirit!

Year 2 have been embracing the festivities of Christmas this week. We have been designing and making snowflakes for our Christmas door, recording our Christmas message, practicing our nativity and reading lots of Christmas stories!_These have included 'Sacristonory' videos by other teachers from our school.



Year 3 Christmas Card Workshop

This week the year 3's enjoyed working alongside the year 4's for the Christmas card workshop. Family came to take part in the festivities making Christmas tree cards and snowman collages. Well done for making some fantastic crafts!



Year 4 Persuasive Writing

Year 4 have been writing persuasively this half term. This week we used our best persuasive skills to advertise our Christmas fair. We thought of catchy titles, exciting adjectives and rhetorical questions to help convince as many people as possible to visit! Well done Year 4!



Year 5 Christmas Card Workshop

This week, Year 5 and 6 completed their Christmas card workshop with their parents. The children had lots of fun completing this and enjoyed working with their families. They were given a range of different materials and to create a card with the world's most famous reindeer on the front Rudolph!



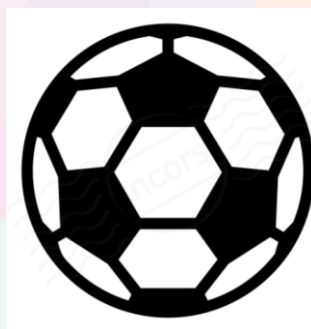
Year 6 Law of Reflection

Year 6 have continued learning about 'light' in their science unit. The children furthered their knowledge and learning from previous lessons where they learnt that light travels in straight lines. This lesson, the children learnt about the law of reflection and how the angle of incidence is always equal to the angle of reflection. We used card, mirrors and a torch to demonstrate this in an investigation, before drawing a diagram in our books to explain our findings.



Girls Football

On Tuesday this week, Sacriston girls' team rounded off their league campaign with a 4-0 victory and 2-0. The girls were very unfortunate in their second game as it was a game, they deserved a point from in the second half. The Purples ended up finishing third in their league having played eight games, winning five, drawing one and losing just two! Well done girls!





The menu for week beginning 11th December is Week 3. School dinners are £12.50 per week, paid online by Monday please. Our school menu can now be found on our website. If you would like to look at the options with your child, please use the following link.

<http://www.sacristonacademy.co.uk/school-information/lunch-menu>



Class Attendance

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
87.77%	91.77%	94.30%	92.47%	96.82%	94.01%	92.60%	86.74%

The government expectation is 96% attendance for individual pupils and school. Attendance and punctuality really matter to your child's education - every day counts! When your child's attendance drops below 95% school will begin monitoring. Referrals to the local authority may also be made if there is no improvement seen.

After School Clubs for this half term

- Tuesday:** Ball Skills (Final session is 12th December)
 Girls Football Matches (Final session is 5th December)
 Year 6 Booster (Final session is 12th December)
 Life Skills (Final session is 12th December)
- Thursday:** Christmas Crafts Club (Final session is 14th December)
 Girls Football Training (Final session is 30th November)

Dates for your Diary

- Monday 11th December** Christmas Movie Night Y1 to Y6
Tuesday 12th December EYFS Nativity 10am
 KS1 Nativity 2pm
Wednesday 13th December Christmas Jumper Day
 Christmas Lunch
Thursday 14th December Year 5 / Year 6 Christmas Party
Friday 15th December Christmas Panto
Monday 18th December Year 1 / Year 2 / Year 3 / Year 4 Christmas Party
Tuesday 19th December Nursery / Reception Christmas Party

BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS



Weekly Awards

Our Headteacher Awards were presented today to the following children who have all impressed their class teacher:

Nursery: Aimalohi Omoijuanfo

Reception: Jamie Pearson

Year 1: Isaac Gray

Year 2: Cody Omar

Year 3: Lucas Charlton

Year 4: Zachary Rowell

Year 5: Abbie McLaughlin

Year 6: Vinni Smith



Class Awards this week were presented to **Year 2** in Key Stage 1 and **Year 4** in Key Stage 2 for their general behaviour at playtime and lunchtime! Well done to you all, we are very proud of you!