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Enjoying and Achieving Together

Class News

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Ducklings

We have had a busy few weeks finishing our crafts and practising our Christmas songs. The children have been trying really hard to remember the words and we really hope you will enjoy watching them once they are added to the school website next week. The children have made some wonderful cards and salt dough decorations to go with their super calendars we made a few weeks ago. They are very proud of them and are very excited to bring them all home. In our writing and mark making we have been writing our names on the back of some brilliant drawings as well as in our cards. The children have tried to write their name in their own way independently. Our excellent Mrs Evans and Miss Carter have made some super games and crafts with the children from glittery Christmas trees and reindeer, to some wonderfully squishy sensory bags. Ducklings class would like to thank you for your continued support and would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Fox

Well, what a busy few weeks we have had, we have been practising our Christmas Performance and trying hard to remember the words for our songs, it will be on our school website next week and we really hope you enjoy watching it.

During our maths we have continued our work within 5 and have been even solving some maths problems.

In our writing we have been excited to write our Christmas list for Santa I think he is going to be very busy! It has been wonderful to see the children trying to find the sounds that they have learnt and then writing them.

We have been very busy making some Christmas art that will be a lovely surprise for you next week. Thank you for your continued support and I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Squirrel

Squirrels have been working hard on their Christmas performance and have managed to record it this week ready to go on the website before the end of term. We have enjoyed learning the songs and even some Makaton signs to accompany 'Rudolf the red nose Reindeer', we are very proud of how hard the children have worked and hope that you enjoy watching it.

We have also been enjoying festive activities within the classroom, which include making 'snow' and our Christmas cards and calendars. We turned our role play area into Santa's workshop, where the children have enjoyed dressing up and wrapping presents. This is good for developing fine motor skills, as well as being good fun! Next week we will be continuing with festive counting and phonics, which will be a revision of what we have already learnt.

Year 1 children have been learning their new phonic sounds and using their knowledge to support their daily reading in class. We have been working on adding and subtracting numbers within 10 using a range of practical equipment to help us. Next week we will be revising our work on numbers to 10, including reading and writing the words to match the digits.

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Badger

We have had a lovely week in Badger Class. The children have focused really hard to make their Christmas Performance amazing, the recording of this should be on the website by the end of the term. In maths we have begun to explore subtraction, the children have enjoyed using this new symbol in their books. In science, we have explored animals and their diets, naming animals as herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. Christmas Jumper Day has been very exciting, and everyone looked fabulous in their festive outfits. It is great to see so many children doing their Purple Mash homework each week, they really enjoy collecting stickers when they have completed their homework and take great pride in this. If anyone would like their Purple Mash login again, please just let me know and I will send it over for you. Have a lovely, Christmassy weekend!

Hedgehog

We have had a lovely time in Hedgehogs and the children have been enjoying their learning. The children are so excited about Christmas and I have enjoyed listening to all the cheeky things that the children's elves have been up to. To help the children manage their emotions, we have been learning how breathing can help us to relax. The children have learnt how to breathe using one nostril at a time and breathe deeply whilst drawing an imaginary square in the air. We have also been taking part in relaxing exercises. These activities have really helped the children to stay calm. We have also been enjoying reading "The Dot" and "The Beautiful Oops". These books are helping us to see the importance of trying our best especially when the activity is tricky. The children are also beginning to understand that mistakes are part of life and help us to learn. The children are creating beautiful pictures inspired by these books. The children have been practising for their Christmas performance and I have been impressed with their clear speaking and singing voices. We cannot wait to record it for you to enjoy at home. In Science, the children have been exploring different materials. They enjoyed testing a range of materials to find out what properties they each had. The children worked collaboratively and recorded their results using a table. Please remember to bring reading books in on Monday and Thursday. Thank you for your support and have a lovely weekend.

Rabbit

We've had a very busy week in Rabbit Class. This week, after concluding our English unit on letter writing, we explored Kit Wright's poem *The Magic Box*. We enjoyed exploring all of the wonderful things that the author chose to put in the box. We created actions to help us to retell the text before text mapping to help us to be able to recall the text. We thought about the language the author used and discussed why we thought it was magical. Next week, we will have a go at writing our own poem based on Kit Wright's. In maths, we explored multiplying by 3 before going on to explore division. We enjoyed recording our Christmas performance on Thursday; we can't wait to share it with you next week! On Friday, we loved showing our fantastic Christmas jumpers. We had many entries to the Christmas bauble competition - we can't wait to find out who the winners are.

Hare

Hare class have had a busy but brilliant fortnight. We have been focusing on our story 'Malamander' by Thomas Taylor. The children seem to love reading this and they have been very engaged throughout our guided reading sessions. In maths, we have continued with our Multiplication and division work, focusing on division facts. As part of our Christmas craft, we have learnt to French knit using some knitting nancies that Mrs Collier made. We have had lots of fun making Christmas trees, candy canes and Christmas wreaths. In computing we designed our Christmas cards which look fantastic. Our designs are currently on display in the classroom, adding a lovely pop of colour. Finally, we have recorded our Christmas concert which will be up on the school website next week. We can't wait for you to see it!

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Kestrel

As we get closer to the Christmas holidays the children are starting to get their festive cheer on. It is great to see so many of the children in their Christmas jumpers today. They look great. Our Christmas assembly is coming on well and will be filming very soon to show all the parents. The children can't wait for you all to see. Sadly, Miss Baines who has been helping the children on their learning journey this term will be leaving us to go to a different school. I know the children have enjoyed her being in Kestrel class.

In English, we have finished our tension writing about the picture book 'Journey' and the children have learnt some great features and techniques to build tension. As we move on to our next unit of work, children will be writing a set of instructions with a Christmas theme. In Maths, Kestrel class have finished their unit of area and perimeter and after the holidays will continue with our multiplication and division unit. It is great to see so many entries for the Christmas ornament competition and I cannot wait to see our winners next week.

Thank you to Kestrel class for all their hard work this autumn term and I hope they all have a well-deserved rest over the holidays. Myself, Mrs Auger and Miss Baines wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mole

Moles class have been working hard over the last few weeks to learn a carol in French, which they will sing as part of their Christmas performance. It has been so lovely to see how enthusiastic they have been to learn this. I am really impressed by their pronunciation of some tricky words. In literacy we have been looking at performance poems. The children have enjoyed working collaboratively to present their own poems to the class. We have some very confident performers in the class. In maths, we have ended the term learning about fractions. The children have worked hard and have produced some excellent work. We will be ending the term with lots of Christmas activities, which I am sure they will enjoy.

Deer

Christmas performances are rather different this year: Deer Class have been practising their singing so it is ready to film next week. It will then be added to the website for you to watch before we break up. In art, the children have continued with their Christmas crafts which I am sure you are looking forward to seeing at the end of term when they bring them home. In maths, we have been working on measures where we have been converting between units of measurement e.g. metres to kilometres and solving related problems. The children all successfully completed their Police Cadets course and PDSO Jacqui Fletcher and PC Strangwood came in to present them with their certificates last Wednesday. Finally, I would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas.

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Stars of the week!

This week's 'Stars of the Week' are:

Deer

Lilia

Harvey

Mole

Archie

Ellie

Kestrel

Alisa

Jacob

Hare

Sophie

Frankie P

Rabbit

George

Charley

Hedgehog

Connor

George B

Badger

Ayla

Harvey

Squirrel

Jayden

Bodhi

Fox

Kylan

Elliott

Duckling

Hugo

Many congratulations to you all!

House Points:

House	Week's Total
Housman	141
Jebb	113
Owen	159
Webb	161

Overall winner is Badger Class.

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