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Enjoying and Achieving Together

Class News

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Ducklings

We have had an exciting time in Ducklings class as Christmas is getting nearer and the children are so excited. We have been listening to "The Stickman" story and the children loved that Father Christmas helped him to get home.

The children have been practising their fine motor skills as they have been busy making a range of Christmas decorations and creating wish lists. I have been very impressed with the control they have shown whilst threading, painting, cutting and sticking. The decorations that they have made are extremely colourful and will look fantastic on the tree.

The children also took part in a "Gym Tots" session at Lacon Childe and I love to see the children develop their muscles in such a fun way. They really enjoyed using all the apparatus whilst completing an obstacle course.

We also were very lucky, as we had another mystery reader, Father Christmas. The children listened carefully to "Mog's Christmas Calamity" and enjoyed singing Christmas songs to Father Christmas. They also asked him some thoughtful questions. Thank you Father Christmas for visiting us.



Fox

What a busy time we have been having at school these last few weeks. In Literacy, we have been creating our own stories by changing the characters from Goldilocks and the Three Bears. In Maths, we have been looking at different lengths and measuring. We have had lots of fun practising our Christmas songs for our show on Tuesday. We have also had a very special visitor - Father Christmas, who came to read us a story! We also got to tell him what we would like for Christmas this year.



Badger

Badgers have been busy little badgers the last week or so rehearsing for the KS1 performance, and what a brilliant job they are doing! We are now nearly ready to perform and looking forward to seeing parents, friends and carers next week.

In between rehearsals, we have been learning about instruction writing. This week we have followed instructions and looked at the key language features, in preparation for writing our own next week.

In the last week of term, as well as participating in festive activities, we also plan to continue with our maths, English and phonics as it is really important that we keep up our hard work from this term!



Hedgehog

Another wonderful fortnight for Hedgehog class. In maths, we have moved onto our new unit of multiplication and division and have been looking at identifying equal groups and adding equal groups together. In English, we have been planning our persuasive text, ready to write it next week. All the children's work is looking great so far. Unfortunately, due to a delivery delay, we will be unable to make our Christmas t-shirts this term but the children are happy to alter their designs to suit the Spring term. Hedgehogs have also been extremely busy perfecting their Christmas performance during rehearsals. I am sure you will all be very proud of them next week - I most certainly am. They can't wait to show you! Thank you again for coming in on Tuesday for the children's dance showcase. They have worked really hard this half term to produce their dance and loved performing in front of their adults.



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Rabbit

We have been busy rehearsing for our Christmas performance over the last few weeks. The children are singing beautifully. I am sure you will be very proud of them when you see them perform in church.

We have completed our bread topic by making an innovative type of bread. Thank you to everyone who sent in some additional ingredients. The children are now confidently able to make bread. I am sure they would love to bake some at home over the holidays for you to try. If they do, please send in a photo of the bread for us to see. I have started to set maths homework on Purple Mash. This is a computer based activity for the children to complete at home within the usual Wednesday to Wednesday time frame. The children have all been given their log in details which are stuck in the back of their spelling books. They use Purple Mash at school, so they all know how to access the homework which is set as a '2do' task. I am able to see who has done the work and monitor the results.

I hope you all have a lovely Christmas break.



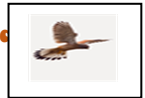
Hare

We are very busy in Hare Class at the moment. We were very lucky to have Grace teaching us for dance and were really excited when the people who look after us at home came to watch us perform. In Maths we have been learning our times tables and have really enjoyed dancing to the BBC Supermovers songs to help us learn them. If children are able to, I would encourage them to continue listening to these at home over the holiday, as they are very fun and great exercise too! In English, we have finished poetry and are now learning about newspaper articles. In Science, we made a model of the digestive system (it was messy to say the least) and have used our knowledge of transparent materials to make some stunning stained-glass windows. We are preparing for the performance next week and are excited to see everyone at the church.



Kestrel

We have had another busy week in Kestrel Class. We went up to Lacon to take part in our final Volleyball lesson. During the six sessions, we have worked on our ball skills and have progressed to being able to volley the ball over the net to a partner. We have been practising our words for the Christmas performance which we are all looking forward to next week. We concluded our topic on pizza by inviting our parents to visit our very own pizza restaurant. We served our families pizza that we had made in class after showing them the wonderful work that we had created during the half term. We are looking forward to a festive week next week.



Mole

Last week, we were once again invited to the Parish Hall and Social Club to perform some carols for the senior citizens. I was very proud of all the Year 5 and 6 children who performed as their singing was super and they were very polite and friendly when chatting to the senior citizens. Elsewhere, the children have been working hard to develop their understanding of fractions and decimals in maths. In English, we have been enjoying a Michael Morpurgo novel which has inspired the children to produce some excellent pieces of written work. Finally, I hope you all have a very happy Christmas and look forward to seeing some of you next week for the KS2 Christmas assembly in the church.



Deer

This past fortnight the children have been learning about fractions and decimals in Maths and in Guided Reading discussing and writing about our new class book, Holes. The Science topic this term is 'Evolution' and we have explored how plants and animals have adapted over many years to suit their environment. In Topic the class have come to the end of their World War 2 unit by creating their own assessment for other groups to complete. The class had a great time on Tuesday and Friday afternoon singing carols at the Parish Hall and Social Club and have been very busy rehearsing for the Christmas Assembly next week.



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Stars of the week!

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

Deer

Mole

Kestrel

Hare

Rabbit

Hedgehog

Badger

Fox

Duckling

Maxwell

Caleb

Nanci

Luke

Poppy

Luke

Kit

Katie

Leah

Mason

Joseph

Paige

Ruby

Stanley

Evie P

Ethan

Lucas

Attendance
WELL DONE
Hare Class 99.18%

Congratulations to you all!

House points:

House	Week's Total	Overall Total
Housman	365	4618
Jebb	474	4422
Owen	369	3850
Webb	267	3581

Congratulations to all of the members of Jebb.

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