



Leeds and Broomfield CEP School

Many Hands Build a House, Many Hearts Make a School

Term 2 week 7

Good afternoon,

I can't believe I am writing the final newsletter of the year already! We have had such a jam packed week. The children were lucky enough to be visited by the Back to the Future workshop on Monday; where the musicians showed the children how to use everyday objects to represent different parts of an orchestra. On Tuesday we all visited The Friars at Aylesford to watch Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs; the behaviour of the children was exceptional throughout - particularly considering there was quite a long period of waiting at the start as they were waiting for another school to arrive. It was lovely to see all of the children getting involved and interacting with the cast members on stage - a big shout out to Sofia for getting up on stage and playing the drum and the symbols with Mrs Soggybottom Crumble. Thank you to all of the staff and parents that accompanied and supported us on the trip; as well as FOLSA for organising and partly funding our visit. Leeds Castle was the destination for myself, Mrs Fincher and Year 4 on Wednesday; along with the other KULB schools, to take part in their Victorian Christmas workshop. We learnt all about Victorian school life and expectations; the children learnt to bow and curtsy as well as how they were expected to respond to adults. We then took a very quiet (children in Victorian times should be seen and not heard!) walk around the castle in our pinafores and waistcoats to look at the decorations and vast number of beautifully dressed Christmas trees. The rest of the school were treated to a performance of the tale of Quentin's Quest from The Family Trust; the laughter of the children could be heard throughout the school. Christmas lunch yesterday was eaten in great spirits. It was lovely to see the children and staff eating together, laughing at corny cracker jokes and engaging in different conversations.

If I don't see you before the holidays - Merry Christmas; I hope you are able to spend some time making memories and spending quality time together. Thank you for all of your support over the past 2 terms and for making me feel incredibly welcome. I look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

Hannah Ward

Weekly awards

Head teacher award: Tom G

Pupil of the week: Hedgehogs — Poppy F & Phoebe B

Squirrels— Bertie K

Badgers— Charley J

Attendance Ted— Unfortunately there were lots of children off this week and no class got 97%

Not Late Lee— There are still far too many late arrivals at school, please ensure you leave plenty of time to allow for traffic / road works.



Whilst we all have many family traditions at Christmas, we mustn't forget the story behind our celebrations. Over the past couple of weeks we have told the Christmas story and discussed its importance and will be retelling it through our nativity next week. This part of the story tells of the birth of Jesus, who despite his importance was born in a stable and placed in a manger.

In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to his own town to register.

So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Luke 2:1-7

We wish you all a very Happy Christmas, and hope that as you exchange presents you as a family remember to praise God for the birth of his son that we celebrate each year.

Dates for your diary

- Tuesday 18th December—Last day of term (Whoop woo!)
- Thursday 3rd January—First day of term
- Tuesday 8th January—Year 6 WASTED Drugs trip to Kingswood
- Friday 18th January—Years 5 & 6 visit to Leeds Castle
- Friday 15th February—Last day of term
- Monday 25th February—Inset day—no children in school
- Tuesday 26th February—First day of term