



Newsletter

Christian Value of the Month: **Peace**

Stanford in the Vale
C of E Primary School

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Friday 9th December

Well done.....

to our talented children for a wonderful Christmas Performance. Year 3, 4 and 5 put on Super Star, which had a wonderful storyline and amazing singing. Photographs and sound clips of the performance will soon be available on the school website. Well done to all the children involved, the staff, Mr Bailey, Mrs Checketts and the St Denys' Team.

Thank you for all the donations towards Cancer Research UK the performances raised £268.13.



Big Christmas Sing
Well done to our talented choir for representing the school so wonderfully at Oxford Town Hall. They sang 'Troika' by themselves and then joined in with the other ten schools to sing 'Tree of Light' and 'Good Time Christmas.' It was a magical evening. Many thanks to Mrs Turner for all her hard work.

Christmas Art Day
Thank you to all the parents who helped out with the creative activities. The day was an amazing success and the children produced some wonderful art work. The school now looks very Christmassy!

Children In Need
Thank you for helping us raise £420.49 for this worthwhile cause.

Full Governor Minutes
You will find the latest governor minutes on the Governor page of the school website.

100 Club Winners
November Winners
1st Hannah Thomas
2nd Gabrielle Clark
3rd Jayne Santacana

Book Fair
Thank you to everyone who supported the fair, it raised £70 for school to purchase books.

Diary Dates:

Monday 12th December—
Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2
Christmas Performance at St Denys' @ 2.00pm and 5.30pm

Tuesday 13th December—
Whole School Panto Trip to the Wyvern Theatre Swindon (info. sent)

Thursday 15th December—
Christmas Dinner (order forms sent)

Friday 16th December—
Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children—50p donation

Friday 16th December—Carol Service in St Denys' @ 9.30am (please join us for carol singing and readings)

Friday 16th December—
School Closes at 12.05pm

INSET DAY—Tuesday 3rd January—School closed to children.

Wednesday 4th January—
Back to school

Wednesday 18th January—
Open Morning from 9.30am—11.30am (please pop in and see the school in action)

Wednesday 1st February—
Stanford's Got Talent @ 6pm in the school hall

World of Work Assemblies

I would like to continue to invite parents in to talk about their jobs. If you can spare 15 minutes to talk about your job on a Monday or Thursday afternoon at 2.45pm please let me know and we will arrange a convenient date. The children do enjoy these!

Christian Value Ambassadors

Last month, our Christian Value was:

FRIENDSHIP

The two children nominated as ambassadors were:

Harry in Snowdrop Class

Jessica in Bluebell Class

This month's Christian Value is: Peace. We will be considering what peace means and why peace is important within the school and wider world.

Working Together,



Achieving Together

Classroom Monitor

Years 1 to 6 will soon be sent their online reports through Classroom Monitor. Please can you make sure you know how to access these reports and that all your children can be seen through the pupil drop down arrow, even if you have a Foundation child.

You will be sent an email from Classroom Monitor when the online reports are ready for viewing. These reports will show you some of the key National Curriculum objectives your child is working on and how they are progressing in them.

The interactive learning diary will soon be open for Foundation parents to view, from the 12th December to the 2nd January.

Naming the Chickens

Thank you to all the children who entered the competition to name our new chickens and roosters.

The roosters are called: King Rooster (the bigger one) and Galaxy.

The chickens are called: Tango, Cookie Monster and Milky Way.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who help look after the chickens during the weekends and holidays.

Sporting Success

Swimming

On Monday 28th November 2016 a group of boys and girls from Year 6 and 5 went to a Swimming Gala in Wantage Leisure Centre. They competed against Millbrook, Stockham, St James, Wantage and Charlton. The boy's group consisted of Finley, Evan, Oliver, Leo and Josh and they achieved two first places in freestyle and breaststroke. The girl's group consisted of Amelie, Lexie, Eloise, Caitlin, Lilly and Amber and they achieved two first places in backstroke and butterfly. Both teams came second overall which means they are through to the Vale finals. Well done to the team and many thanks to Mrs Peel and the parents who took them.

Boccia

On Monday 28th November, 6 members of KS2 attended the Vale Under 11 Boccia Festival at Wantage Leisure Centre. Isabella and Tessa from Year 4, Anosh and Jayden from Year 5 and Nonoy and Jessica P from Year 6 all represented the school. Initially, both the A and B teams took part in a round robin competition against 3 other schools. The A team won 1 match (5-2) and lost the other 2. The B team won all three of their matches, including an 11-1 win against Rush Common school! They went through to the semi-finals against St Michael's which they lost but they came 3rd overall. Both teams demonstrated brilliant team work and sportsmanship, especially with their opponents! Thank you to Mrs Leach and the parents who took them.

Football

On 17th November the team played a match against St Nicholas. The final score was 5-1 to St Nicholas. They played their hearts out. Well done Jack who carried on playing even with an injury.

On 21st November the team played a match against Sutton Courtney. The final score was 3-3. The team played amazingly well. Thank you to the parents who took the teams and to our coach Mr Rhodes.

The teams consisted of: Josh, Leo, Brandon, Bailey, Ethan P, Ethan M, Max, Jack, Finlay, Alex M, James, Nicholas, Harvey, Jake, William G and Alex.

New Club

Basketball Club on a Tuesday has now finished and will be replaced by a Key Stage Two Athletics Club. This club will be run by Premier Sports and will take place from 3.15pm to 4.15pm. It is aimed at Key Stage Two children. Spaces are limited so if your child would like to attend please let Mrs Willis know as soon as possible. Thank you

Reading at Home

Thank you to all those parents who read with or to their child on a daily basis, it makes a massive difference to how the children cope in class within all subject areas. It is well documented that children who do not read at home regularly are not as confident as their peers who do. Please may I ask you to record in your child's reading diary when you read with them or to them. From January we will be rewarding children who read at home on a daily basis. You do not have to read lots, a few pages a night and a conversation about it is beneficial in developing their reading skills and range of vocabulary. Many thanks for your support.