



# Newsletter

Christian Value of the Month: **Peace**

Stanford in the Vale  
C of E Primary School

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Thursday 15th December

## Well done.....

to our talented children for a wonderful Christmas Performance. Foundation, Year 1 and 2 put on Lights, Camel, Action, which had us booing, cheering and clapping. The singing, dancing and acting was amazing. 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 £181.26, which means all the performances raised £449.39—an amazing total. Thank you.



### Pantomime

The whole school went to an amazing performance of Cinderella at Wyvern Theatre.

There were some brilliant actors, actresses; and the horses were a favourite. Everyone got into the spirit - clapping, singing, dancing, booing and cheering - 'Oh no they didn't.' 'Oh yes they did!'

To recognise the hard work of all the children this term and their brilliant Christmas performances, every class got a visit from a very special person! Father Christmas brought every class some gifts for them to use in their classrooms. Thank you Father Christmas.

### Many Thanks

to our wonderful choir and Mrs Turner, for going to the Grange to sing Christmas Carols. I know it was greatly appreciated.

**Please join us tomorrow.....** for our Carol Service—9.30am at St. Denys' Church. Remember to wear a Christmas Jumper instead of your school jumper and bring in a donation of 50p for Christian Aid. All the staff would like to wish you a Merry Christmas.

### Diary Dates:

**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!

### 100 Club Winners

For the month of December  
1st Amanda Matthews  
2nd Jayne Santacana  
3rd Rhian Atkins



## Christian Value Ambassadors

This month, our Christian Value is:

### PEACE

The two children nominated as ambassadors are:

Faye C in Sunflower Class

Oliver B in Forget-me-not Class

Next month's Christian Value is: Caring. We will be considering who cares for us, how we can care for others and stories from the Bible which show caring.

Working Together,



Achieving Together

### 100% Attendance for the Autumn Term

Congratulations to the following children:

**Foundation** Bethany, Noah, Mason, Paige

**Year 1** Zoe, Orraith, Eddie M, Dexter, Stanley

**Year 2** Milly, Spencer, Eddie, Emily, Lexie, Marley, Alexander

**Year 3** Charlie, Scarlett, William C, Henry E, Ryan, Zach, Riley

**Year 4** Emily A, Rhys, Isabel H, Aimee, Amanda, Azaria, Liam, Heath, Emily V

**Year 5** Nicholas, Charlie, Holly, Eloise, Kyle, William G, Rosie, Harvey, William L, Nicole, Ethan M, James, Max, Olivia, Tyler, Laura

**Year 6** Lilly, Rachel, Lexie, Oliver, Amelie, Owen, Alana, Nikita, Jessica P

All the children were presented with certificates.

### Christmas Lunch

We all had a yummy Christmas Dinner today. Many thanks to Mrs West and Tiny for preparing it.

### Online Reports

All Year 1—6 parents should have received their child's online report. It highlights your child's attendance, the levels they are working at in maths, writing and reading now, compared to the start of the year and some of the targets they have met and are working towards in the three subject areas.

## Topic Plans & Class Collective Worship

Please find attached a topic plan for your child's class for next term. The topic plan gives you an insight into what your child will be learning. You may wish to research the topic or do some preparatory work over the holidays. If any of you have resources we could use, please let us know.

Foundation = Jurassic Journey

Class 1 = Are we nearly there yet?

Class 2 = The Jungle Book

Class 3 = Sea Shores

Class 4 = Viking Invaders and Saxon Settlements

Class 5 = Aurora and Wonder

Class 6 = The Mysterious Maya

All topic plans can be viewed on the relevant class page on our school website.

If you would like to join your child(ren)'s class for a collective worship session next term, the dates are below:

9th January—Year 2 (Buttercup Class)

16th January—Year 5 (Orchid Class)

23rd January—Year 6 (Forget-me-not Class)

6th February—Foundation (Sunflower Class)

27th February—Year 1 (Snowdrop Class)

6th March—Year 4 (Poppy Class)

20th March—Year 3 (Bluebell Class)

All of these are on a Monday at 2.45pm. The dates are also on the school website.

## Dance Club

On Thursday 8th December, Dance Club performed on the New Theatre stage as part of the Oxfordshire Schools Dance Festival. They danced alongside 25 other schools. The children did exceptionally well in front of a large audience. Well done to the children for learning and perfecting the dance and to Mrs Webb for working so hard with them and taking them on this amazing experience.

The children danced to 'Pencil full of lead.'

The children came up with lots of the moves themselves. Dancing sometimes as a whole group, at other times in small groups and also individually, with lots of smiles on their faces!

## Parent Governors

We had two nominations for our parent governor role which is great.

Mr Duncan Atkins who has children in Years 1 and 4

and

Miss Ruth Vigor who has a child in Year 4

We are able to appoint both governors as another parent governor is nearing the end of his term of office and this will allow handover of his roles. We wish to thank them for stepping forward to support the school and also thank Mr Stene and Mr Thirkettle who are at the end of their terms of office.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Peter F (Year 3) for winning the Faringdon Art society competition. He won £25 for himself and £50 for the school.