

Bishop Winnington-Ingram

Church of England Primary School

Newsletter: Week 12

Our Vision - 'My Cup Overflows' Psalm 23:5

A community that gives each child an outstanding spiritual, academic and practical education and instils an awareness of the overflowing joy, love and peace that comes from God's love for us, so that they are able to achieve their potential and truly experience 'life in all its fulness.'

John 10:10

Update from Mrs Rodenas

What an exciting week!

The School Council have been busy painting our Buddy Bench ready to launch this idea to the children next week.

In worship, we have been visited by Alessandra, the Youth Worker from St Margaret's Church in Uxbridge who talked to the children about the meaning of 'Advent' and how we prepare for Jesus' birth. We also welcomed 'Open the Book' from Ruislip Baptist Church who re-enacted the Christmas Story.

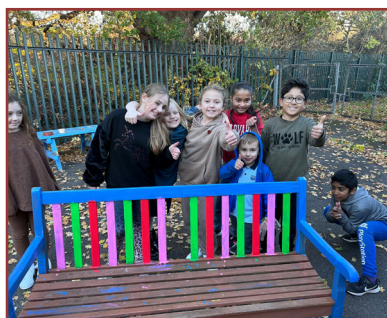
Our Netball and Football teams played in matches this week and we are so proud of their efforts. Both teams took on board the feedback from the coaches and worked so well as a team, well done!

Finally, our school has been transformed into a Winter Wonderland today by our wonderful Parent's Association. Thank you so much to all of our families who have sent in donations and given their children money to raise much needed funds for our school. The best part has definitely been seeing how excited the children have been.

Have an enjoyable and safe weekend.

God Bless,

Mrs Rodenas



Dates for the diary

- 7th December:** Christingle Service at St Martin's Church - 2.00 pm
- 13th December:** Reception Nativity - 2.30pm
- 14th December:** Year 1 & 2 Nativity - 9.15am-10.15am
- 18th December:** Christmas Pantomime - 1.30pm - 2.30pm
- 19th December:** Nursery Nativity - 9.15am - 10am
- Please see our website for full details of our dates and activities

Notices

- Christingle:** We request that each child brings into school a large Orange by Tuesday 5th December in readiness for them to decorate in time for the service on Thursday 7th December.
- Please remember to apply for your Reception place for September 2024 no later than Monday 15th January 2024. Please apply at: www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

Attendance Champions!

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| 1. <i>Discoverers</i> | 95.7% |
| 2. <i>Explorers</i> | 94.3% |
| 3. <i>Ground breakers</i> | 93.8% |
| 4. Pathfinders | 92.9% |
| 5. Investigators | 90.7% |
| 6. Trail Blazers | 82.3% |
| 7. Adventurers | 78.7% |

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Nursery

In Nursery this week we've been looking at families and talking about our families. We've been busy practicing our songs for our Christmas performance on the stage in the hall and we've been thinking and talking about things that make us happy.



Adventurers

This week we have been focussing on using finger spaces when writing sentences in phonics. In Maths we have been showing how we know our basic skills and in RE we are continuing to learn about the nativity story.



Discoverers

This week we have been retelling the story of 'The Queen's Hat' using verbs that we have been learning over previous weeks. In Maths, we have been looking at Fact Families including subtraction. In RE we have been discussing the importance of each person in The Nativity.



Explorers

It's been another fun week of rehearsals for the Explorers, as well as being assessment week. In English we have started our new text 'The day the crayons quit.' We have also started a new topic in Maths learning about 2D and 3D shapes and their properties.



Investigators

This week we have all been working hard on our assessments, and practising our 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables.



Pathfinders

Year 4 have been doing some fantastic artwork this week, mixing colours again and attempting to recreate realistic colours for our leaf paintings. We have also been writing stories, practising our times tables and playing the ukulele.



Groundbreakers

Year 5 have been carrying out assessments this week to enable us to check on their progress. They have all worked really hard and tried their best. In our English lessons we have started to plan a narrative based on our book Cosmic.



Trailblazers

This week we have been assessment week so we have been having another go at practice SATs papers. To get in the Christmas spirit we baked gingerbread people and decorated these for the Christmas fair.



Thought for the week

Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, 'Here is your God!' - Isaiah 40:9.

The classic Monty Python sketch 'Four Yorkshiremen' is an iconic example of a great British hobby: competitive complaining. Looking back on their childhoods with nostalgia, the four men gleefully try to outdo one another with their absurd tales of hardship and deprivation.

When grumbling about everything from the weather to our busy schedules is such a common part of our small talk in Britain, a determination to speak positively is genuinely counter-cultural. That's not to say that we should shy away from speaking honestly about hard truths, such as the urgency of the climate crisis. But we are people who have good news to celebrate; the good news of God's presence with us through Jesus Christ. We can face every challenge because of the hope that comes from knowing God has not given up on us or our planet.

Remember, we don't need to physically go up a mountain to speak hopeful words to others! Your most natural platform might be over the dinner table, at the supermarket checkout, or on social media.

Something to pray

Ever-present God, thank you for the hope that you have brought to my life, and the hope you give for the whole world. Lift me up in the times that I feel grumpy and cynical, and give me courage to speak words of good news wherever they are needed.

Amen.



Our Winter Market is back!

Date: Saturday 2nd December.

Time: 10am to 3pm!

Venue: Michael Sobell Centre (on the grounds of Mount Vernon Hospital, HA6 2RN).



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