



# Newsletter



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## Headteacher

This month the children have been wonderful in their Nativity and Christmas Concerts, with only a few technical hiccups.

Getting over 600 children to perform in concerts for parents is an achievement in itself but we did it! Thank you to all the proud parents who came to watch and shed a few tears along the way!

I have been so proud of the children. Every performance has been excellent, with the children and staff clearly enjoying themselves.

I would also like to say a very big thank you for all the support you have given myself and the Sandbrook staff team this term. It is really appreciated.

I would like to wish you all a lovely, peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Mrs K Charlton*

## Attendance

Please could you ensure you inform school as soon as possible if your child is absent. We are unable to authorise any non-attendance until we have a reason for the absence.

## Class 15

**This half term, class 15 have really been getting in the Christmas spirit; making cards, paper crafts and rehearsing for our Christmas production. During our English lessons, we wrote explanation texts around the mysteries of Christmas, such as *How Santa knows if you've been good or bad*, and *How Santa knows what toys you want*. The children came up with some really creative and imaginative ideas. In P.E. we've been really lucky to have a boxing coach come to school to teach us *Boxercise* to get our hearts pumping! We're now all very excited for Christmas and are in need of a long break after a very busy term.**



## Class 5

This half term in Class 5 we have been learning all about the Great Fire of London in our topic lessons and playing in the Pudding Lane bakery in our classroom. In English we have been learning how to use exclamation marks, question marks and the connective 'and' to make our sentences more exciting, we even wrote questions and posted them to some teachers! We have been learning all about 2D shapes, time language and money in maths. The children especially enjoyed our 'shape disco'. We have had a lovely half term and are looking forward to the spring term to do some more super learning.



Merry Christmas from Class 5!



## PE

Class 5 have been taking part in a variety of activities this term. They have explored how to roll and balance in gymnastics and they will develop this further after the Christmas holidays by using low level apparatus. In the lead up to Christmas they have been doing dance and have performed extremely well and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. They are a super class and work extremely well together.



**Family Support Officer**

" We have been able to meet and offer support to a number of families throughout this half term as well as providing coffee mornings every Wednesday. We hope that you will continue to come to us for any support and/or assistance you may need. You are welcome to come along to our coffee mornings every Wednesday morning.

**Class 10**

This half term the children in class 10 have been busy bees. All the children were fabulous in the Year 3 production of 'T'was the Night Before Christmas' last week, I'm sure you will agree both the acting and singing were fantastic. Well done class 10, be proud of yourselves.

During our English lessons we have been learning how to write recounts, we spent quite a lot of time linking this to our Stone Age topic. There were some fantastic recounts written in role as the boy from the story Stone Age boy. All the children have been working hard this half term and we are certainly ready for a break. Next half term we will be working hard to learn our times tables and to improve our reading, please continue to support your child by regularly practicing both of these at home.

**PE**

Class 10 have been a superb class in PE. They embrace all kinds of different activities and since September have taken part in dodgeball, gymnastics and dance.

The children displayed great team work and communication in dodgeball. In gymnastics they have been exploring different individual balances and after the Christmas holidays they will develop this further with pair and group work.

**Early Years**

Thank you to all of the parents from the Reception classes who attended the drop-ins. It was great to see you all and I hope you enjoyed the sessions. We will be organising more event in the New Year.

Thank you to all of the staff and children who worked so hard to produce 3 fantastic 'Nativity' performances. I'm sure you were all as proud as I was at our amazing children. A great big thanks to all of the parents who attended. Thank you for all of your support.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!  
Mrs Gordon

**Main School Office.**

Please can you let the office know if there is any change in phone numbers as it is important that we have up to date contact details for every child in case of illness or emergency.

**Extended School**

The children had a great time at the Christmas Dads, Me & Tea making Christmas card holders and thoroughly enjoyed the cakes from Mrs Charlton and Miss Hadfield.

The Christmas Fair was a huge success again this year. Thank you to all your kind donations and contributions.

