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NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the final, festively flavoured newsletter of 2020 and a very happy end of term to all of our families.

Remember to email Miss Bolwell: admin@woodborough.wilts.sch.uk if you've anything to add to our newsletters in the New Year.



What a busy week!

Monday brought magnificent makes, brilliant bakes and sensational Santas, and as always we were wowed by the wealth of imaginative ideas ([visit the gallery to take a look!](#)) Thank you to everyone who took the time to enter, huge CONGRATULATIONS to the prize winners, thanks to the PTA for supplying the prizes and a special mention to Mrs Reeder our guest judge.



Next, came the PTA Best Dressed Christmas Tree Competition and a wealth of amazing entries ([you can see them here](#)). Thank you to Mrs Wheeler for organising and overseeing and to Mr and Mrs Banham, who took on the difficult job of judging. Well done to everyone who entered and CONGRATULATIONS to the prize winning families: 1st - Sutherland, 2nd - Bryant and 3rd - Hampton (who are all invited to collect their prizes from Whitehall Graden Centre, Woodborough, when they have a moment).



The much anticipated PTA Hamper Raffle Draw took place on Tuesday, organised and overseen by Mrs Morris ([see it here](#)). Thank you to everyone who sent in such an amazing array of festive fayre - enough to fill 19 hampers - and congratulations to the lucky winners ([see who they were, here](#)).



Thursday meant it was time for Christmas jumpers, party packed-lunches and Jack and the Beanstalk (via Zoom). We also made the most of some brief sunshine to socially distance all of our class bubbles on the playground and record our own version 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas' to be included in our end of term Service.



Friday morning saw our most ambitious, remotely -shared, act of collective worship yet! Articulately led by Willow Class (Y6) and confidently performed by the youngest members of Oak Class (YR), our Christmas Nativity Service was joined (via Teams) by classes across the school and families and friends near and far.



Thank you to Canon Larkey who shared her Christmas thoughts, prayers and blessing; to Mrs Parry and Mrs Wren for their hard work in bringing our Service together; to all classes for their musical contributions; and Miss Papworth-Smith for her calmness and technical wizardry. Special thanks also to everyone who joined us remotely and then shared such lovely feedback afterwards. We're glad to have shared a little Woodborough Magic and made you feel festive!



This term we are focussing across our school on the miracles that were performed by Jesus.

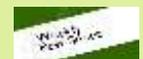
During whole-school Collective Worship, we will be listening to stories of Jesus's miracles, shared remotely by teachers across the school.

During Class Worship we will be discussing the stories we have heard and linking them to the core Christian values of: courage, truth, forgiveness, respect, trust and kindness, upon which our school is founded.

We're also really looking forward to watching some videos sent to us by the 'Open the Book' team.

Read more about everything we're doing and how you can join in, by viewing this term's

[RE & CW Newsletter](#).



[Click on this link](#)

to read about worship in the Vale of Pewsey.

Current circumstances mean that weekly pew sheets have been replaced by 'sofa sheets' - you can read the current ones here: [20th Dec](#) & [3rd Jan](#)

ATTENDANCE

W/B 14th December 2020

Attendance	Absence
98%	2%

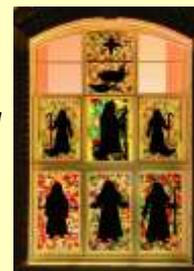
Reporting Absence

Please notify the office of absence and the reason for it by 9.00 am each day.

Tel: 01672 851305 or email: admin@woodborough.wilts.sch.uk

Season's Greetings from us all...

We hope all of our families found their special Christmas card in children's book bags this week.



Many thanks to Mr Partis for taking such a beautiful photograph of the stained-glass windows made by each class.

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Congratulations to the following pupils (and staff) who celebrate their birthdays during the festive period:

Lucy F (7)

Nate (7)

Poppy H (10)

Freddie W (5)

Klara (6)

Bertie P (9)

Marcus (10)

Seb (7)

Jacob P (5)

Imogen M (6)

Lauren (9)

Mrs Partis



A few other festive mentions from this week...

Let us entertain you...

Please don't forget to take a look at the **Key Stage Christmas Performances** that were shared this week. We couldn't invite our audiences in, so this year you can enjoy them from the comfort of your own homes, by following this link to the school website: <https://woodboroughschool.org/let-us-entertain-you/>



Finally, if you are in the vicinity of St Mary Magdalene Church, Woodborough, over the festive season, be sure to take a look at the beautiful **Nativity Crib Scene that has been created and installed by our handyman extraordinaire, Mr Bruce Carter.**

Bruce takes our sketchiest of ideas and always manages to turn them into wonderful works of art -

THANK YOU!



A final round-up of other school news...

Team Woodborough usually runs... but this week we have been throwing, as Woodborough School saw the first ever 'Medicine-Ball-Challenge' Inter-House Competition.

**TEAM WOODBOROUGH
RUNS THE UK... but not this week!**



Actually... Oak Class threw bean bags, Years 1 and 2 used plastic balls, Years 3 and 4 were throwing net-balls BUT Years 5 and 6 were lobbing 1kg medicine balls in 5 different ways!



The children showed some good skills whilst giving all the two-handed throws a go. We executed the Forward Pitch, Soccer Throw, Chest Push, Shoulder Fling and the Overhead Heave.



Thank you to the Year 6 House Captains and volunteers who helped mark down the scores from a safe distance.

All the scores came in very close to one another and we are happy to announce that **MARS WON!** Congratulations and we are looking forward to the next whole school – socially distanced – House Competition.

Rainbow and Multiplication Awards successes this term...

Red	Charlie K (Reds 5s & 10s), Millie, Rohan, Callum, Willa, Edie, Isabella B & Maxwell
Orange	Willa, Max, Laurie, Millie, Callum, Ivo, Maxwell & Rohan
Yellow	Freddie, Freya, Otilie, Arabella, Gretel, Jack, Leo, Lily, Lucy, Toby & Zachary
Green	Harry, Freya, Otilie, Arabella, Gretel, Jack, Leo & Lily
Bronze	Esme, Henry, Polly, Sienna, Xander, Izzy, Tessa, Foster
Super Bronze	Esme, Henry, Polly, Sienna, Xander, Tessa & Charlie
Silver	Beatrice, Henry, Stan, Xander, Griff, Tessa, Archie, Madeline, Ella F, Isabella, Ella H, Alfred & Bertie F
Super Silver	Beatrice, Henry, Stan, Xander, Griff, Archie, Madeline, Oliver, Ella F, Ella H, Ethan & Tessa
Gold	Griff, Kacie, Brandon, Archie, Oliver, Daisy S, Caden, Ranulf & Tessa
Super Gold	Tessa, Griff, Gilbert, Archie, Caden, Ranulf, Winnie
Headteacher's Award	Griff, Emily A, Max, Connor, Finley, Poppy H & Riley W
Champion's Cup	Ellen, Ned & Mollie W

...fantastic results - well done everyone!

CONGRATULATIONS to all of the children in **MARS HOUSE** who together collected the greatest number of House Points this term. They celebrated in their bubbles with snacks and extra iPad time!

We'd like to say an enormous THANK YOU to the parents, grandparents and friends who have contributed so generously to our PTA 'Just One Book' initiative. We've taken delivery of a great big box of books to share across the classes next term and we also have over £500 to spend!



Thank you

In concluding this newsletter, term and year we would all like to say a very large **THANK YOU** to all of the families and wider friends of our school for your amazing support. We'd never have expected Christmas to be this way and much of this year has been extraordinary, but we end it all the better for being together (albeit remotely) and having shared some Woodborough Magic!

Thank you also for the lovely cards, thoughtful messages and generous gifts we have received - they are very much appreciated.

On behalf of all of the staff and governors we'd like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.