



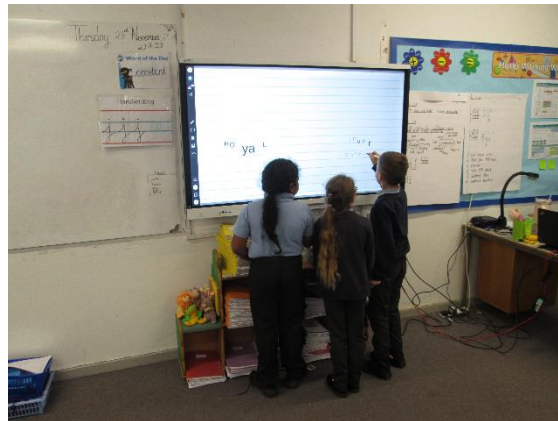
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023

*Our vision is 'Let your light shine'. The rainbow symbolises God's unconditional love for each individual. We seek to reflect that light in all we do: in our community, both local and wider, in our communication, both word and action, with curiosity and courage, and with care and compassion for everyone, inspiring a love of learning.*

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week the sound of children rehearsing for the Christmas performances has filled the school. Rehearsals are now well underway and we are looking forward to welcoming you to our performances in a couple of weeks. Communication about the dates and times of these events will be sent out via Parent Mail shortly. We thank you for your support to make these events the special occasions they always are.

New Smart Interactive Whiteboards have been installed in all Key Stage Two classrooms this week. These will allow teachers and children to learn collaboratively, share files, access online resources and use a wide range of educational software. It is so important for us that we instil a love of learning in our children and we hope that this new technology will help to bring more engaging learning experiences into the classroom. Some of the funding for these Whiteboards has been covered by the money raised through recent FOWS fundraising events. We would like to thank the FOWS Team and the generous donations from parents and carers that has enabled us to provide this wonderful resource for our children.



Thank you for all your generous donations for the FOWS Christmas Fete Tombola Multi-Day today. We are looking forward to seeing you all at the Fete tomorrow which is in our school hall.

*Mrs Samantha Dimbleby*

**Headteacher**

### **Christmas Lunch**



If you would like your child to have a school Christmas lunch on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December please ensure that you order this before midday on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November. **There will be no option for ordering a late lunch on this day.** Click [here](#) to order your child's meal with Fresh Start Catering. If you have forgotten your log on details and would like to order a meal, please contact Mrs Freshwater in the school office.

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## Christmas Cards



Children will be able to bring Christmas cards for each other into school from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December for posting in the school post box. Please ensure that envelopes are clearly addressed with the full name if possible as well as the class and/or year group they are in. The last day of Christmas card posting will be Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

## Scooters and safety at drop off and collection

Please can I remind parents and carers that children should not be riding their scooters or bikes on the school grounds before or after school. This is for the safety of everyone at these busy times of the day when there are lots of parents and children around. During these times, children should be supervised by their parents. Thank you for your support with this.

## Child of the Week

All our children seek to 'Let their light shine' as they reflect our Christian values in their daily life. Many congratulations to the following children this week who have shone particularly brightly and been awarded 'Child of the Week':

Reception: Winter & Arthur  
Year 1: Alysia & Iris  
Year 2: Indigo & Isabel  
Year 3: Fletcher & Matthew  
Year 4: Ayah & Chloe  
Year 5: Henry & Frankie  
Year 6: Ellie-May & Ramia



## Attendance

Well done to 4KF who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 99.72%. Our average whole school attendance this week is 94.33%.

## Reporting an absence

If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the school office via Parent Mail, the telephone absence line or the office email address before 9.00am. Please give full details of your child's illness/symptoms. If we do not hear from you, we will call or email you to find out why your child is not in school. If we are unable to make contact and you do not provide a reason for your child's absence, this absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

## Accelerated Readers

The following classes have been awarded the Reading Trophies this week for completing the most Accelerated Reader Quizzes:

<b>2JW</b>
<b>3BB</b>
<b>4SW</b>
<b>5RS</b>
<b>6CM</b>



## FOWS – Christmas Panto





We are pleased to share that FOWS have funded a whole school pantomime to take place in our school hall during the afternoon of **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**.

The tale of Jack and the Beanstalk will be performed by M&M Theatrical Productions and will be an exciting opportunity for all pupils to experience the fun and excitement of a pantomime.

Our thanks go to FOWS for providing this opportunity for our pupils.

## Safeguarding

If you have a concern about a child please contact Mrs Samantha Dimbleby, Mrs Tracy Thomas or Mrs Katie Epps via the School Office on 01296 712296 or alternatively if out of school hours, weekends or holidays visit <http://www.bucks-lscb.org.uk/concerned-about-child/> to report your concerns.

<b>Mrs Samantha Dimbleby</b> Designated Safeguarding Lead	
<b>Mrs Tracy Thomas</b> Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	
<b>Mrs Katie Epps</b> Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	
Child Protection Governor <b>Mr David Shaw</b>	

## What can we do even better as a school?

If you have any comments or suggestions, please do get in contact with Mrs Dimbleby via the school office, or better still, come and chat to her at the start or the end of the day on the playground.



## Diary Dates

Please find below our autumn term calendar of events for your immediate attention. This will be published on our school website and updated as appropriate over the coming weeks.

Date	Event
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	FOWS Christmas Tombola Mufti Day
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> November(11:00am – 2:00pm)	FOWS Christmas Fete
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5 Victorian Day
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 4 Visit to St Laurence Church
wc 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Book Week
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	FOWS Pantomime
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December (2:00pm) and Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December (9:30am)	KS1 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December (2:00pm) and Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December (9:30am)	EYFS Christmas Performance
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch Day
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December (6pm)	Year 5 Christingle Service at St Laurence Church
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December (pm) and Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December (am)	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December (2:00pm – 3:00pm)	EYFS Stay and Play for Reception Parents – Crafts
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December (pm)	Year 6 Carol Concert
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December (2:30 – 3:15pm)	Carols on the Playground
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of School for pupils
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY Children return on Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	

*This Term's Value is:*

**Respect**

*"Do to others as you would have them do to you."*

*Luke 6:31*

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