

The Bythams Weekly Newsletter



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And so we have sung, cheered, laughed, clapped, eaten, coughed and spluttered our way through the final week of term! I think that we are all very pleased to see the Christmas holidays for a chance to rest and recuperate before Christmas finally hits next weekend.

A huge well done to our Key Stage 2 children who sang their Christmas carols and songs beautifully on Monday evening and thank you to all of our families who were able to join us for this and also for the Christmas coffee morning held at the village hall in Little Bytham on Tuesday.

On Wednesday, we had a wonderful trip to the Guildhall in Grantham to watch the panto based on the story of Rapunzel. The children were impeccably behaved and a credit to the school. My thanks to yourselves and to our 'FOBS' who have kindly supported many of these events this week, including paying for the coaches to Grantham Guildhall on Wednesday. The raffle made a grand total of £158 - thank you to everyone who bought tickets and to staff for donating all items. Well done to Poppy who won the Luxury Christmas Hamper; Yuan's Nanny who won the Children's Christmas Hamper and Darcey's Nan for winning the runner up box of biscuits (and then donated this to the staff!). Out of a possible 100 squares for our 50:50 game, we sold 60 numbers and 11 was the lucky number for Jack's mum who wins half of the money taken for this - £30! Thank you again for your generous support - the money will go straight back into school and towards further books as we continue to develop our reading areas for the children.

Today, we say goodbye to Mrs Bengé and we wish her lots of luck as she begins her own childminding service. In January, Mrs Pearce will move from Foxes class to work with Mrs Shaw in Hedgehogs class and we will be recruiting for a new Teaching Assistant to join the team. If you are, or know someone who may be interested in the vacancy, please see the school website for more information. Mrs Byron will join the TA team in a temporary capacity in the new year to sup-



This week's award winners are:

Hedgehogs Class

The whole class! For a wonderful first term, hard work and resilience to lots of changes, especially this last week. Well done everyone, I'm so proud of you all!

Squirrels Class

Zara-Louise receives the award of excellence for her hard work all term to improve her letter formation and phonics.

Maya receives the award of excellence for her determination and improvement in maths.

Foxes Class

Poppy for learning and leading the actions in our Christmas songs with enthusiasm

The whole class for their enthusiasm for learning this term and exceptional good behaviour at the pantomime.

Badgers Class

This week, all of Badgers class have been chosen for the Award of Excellence award.

Their enthusiasm and positive attitudes they demonstrated at the Christmas Carol sing-a-long was fantastic! Well done Badgers!



Key Dates

Term 3 begins
Wednesday
4.1.23

w/c 9.1.22

Clubs begin

Tues 10th Jan -
Foxes + some Y6
swimming begins

Year 2 Healthy
friendships work-
shop

Fri 13th Jan

Gareth Davies MP
visit to school



PE for Term

3

Hedgehogs: Tuesdays
and Fridays (Fridays at
Witham Hall)

Squirrels: Mondays
Foxes: Tuesdays



Well done to **Badgers**
class with **96.94%** at-
tendance this week!

Our whole school
attendance this week
was **88.99%**

Autumn Term: **90.9%**

Well done to the
Badgers class for hav-
ing the highest attend-
ance in Term 2 with
94.74%! Their reward
will be a non-uniform
day! Date to be decid-



Hedgehogs Class

What a fun filled packed last week we had with a trip to the panto, the Christmas lunch and a party too. We have worked so hard this term and should be so proud of all our achievements. We look forward to a new year and term.
Happy Holidays everyone!



Squirrels Class

We have had a fabulous last week of term. Squirrels thoroughly enjoyed the school trip to the pantomime on Wednesday. During the week, they have been busy crafting for Christmas. On Friday, they finished with a class party and Christmas cookie cooking.



Foxes Class

Foxes class have been very excited this week in the lead up to Christmas and the holidays.



We have been busily getting ready for Christmas - making Christmas cards, completing Christmas maths colouring scenes to revise our times tables and writing a narrative of the Christmas story. We thoroughly enjoyed performing our Christmas songs and actions to parents on Monday.

We completed our Mighty Metals topic by writing poetry about *Molten Metals*, using expanded noun phrases and ambitious adjectives to describe the melting and moulding process.



Foxes very much enjoyed our outing to watch the pantomime of Rapunzel, participating with enthusiasm. Children were exceptionally well behaved at the theatre. We enjoyed discussing our favourite moments of the visit and our favourite charac-

Badgers Class

This week has been a very festive week in Badgers class.

We began our week by performing our carols to our families and friends at school. Even after a last minute change of venue, the children performed with smiles on their faces! Our festive cheer didn't stop there, Badgers delivered a second performance at The Little Bytham Village Hall. Everyone who attended the performances praised the children on their enthusiasm, behaviour and manners

– well done
Badgers class!

