

The Bythams Weekly Newsletter

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Although, thankfully, our Covid case numbers seem to be dropping again, we are continuing with some of the additional measures put in place such as operating in Key Stage bubbles and limiting visitors to site. Clubs will resume next week (please remember that there are no school run after school clubs in the final week of term). If children from different key stage bubbles are in the same club, they will be distanced from each other whilst in the classroom. We have taken the decision to avoid having audiences in school for Christmas productions. Instead, the children will be recorded, as last year, and these recordings will be shared with you in a secure way. More information about this will follow nearer to the end of term. Having watched last years 'Nativity', I am sure you will enjoy being able to return to the recording as often as you like from the comfort of your own home. This term seems to be flying by; our Christmas tree arrives next week!

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Martin

Cold Weather

With the weather turning colder, please ensure that children come to school with a warm coat, hats, gloves and scarves. Children should also have jogging bottoms for PE so that they keep warm. Please ensure all items are named!

Key Dates

w/c 13th Dec

No clubs this week

15th Dec - Panto trip

16th Dec - Christmas lunch and Christmas outfit day

17th Dec - last day of term

Christmas Holidays

Monday 20th December to
Monday 3rd January

Term 3

Tues 4th Jan to Fri 11th
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This week's award winners are:

Hedgehogs Class

Darcey for handwriting, you are always pushing yourself to improve, and you are making fabulous progress.

Ronnie for working so hard on his blending and reading, you are always enthusiastic to show us what you can do.

Squirrels Class

Bella for showing great resilience and independence in trying to learn her lines for the Nativity and showing great determination.

Immy for her great dedication to her reading, enabling her to make fantastic progress.

Foxes Class

Ewan for working more independently to write sentences in English.

Bentley for fantastic enthusiasm and team work in P.E

Thomas for such fantastic concentration during handwriting sessions.

Badgers Class

Jack P for fantastic understanding and effort in maths on fractions.

Lydia for excellent research skills investigating the history of polar exploration to the Antarctic.

Alfie for getting his pen license.



PE for Term 2

Hedgehogs - Thursday

Squirrels - Friday

Foxes - Wednesday

Badgers - Friday

Please remember to send your child into school wearing uniform and with a separate bag for kit to change at school this term!



We understand that children are sometimes ill but we are celebrating attendance each week. If your child is well enough to be here, please ensure that they are!

This week's attendance: 92%

Hedgehogs Class

Each month we are following four trees, we call these our "Friendly Trees". We are observing changes throughout the whole year and building up a timeline in our classroom. It is

September



November



important to observe the changing seasons, and Autumn is one of the most beautiful seasons.

Can you spot the difference between the September and November pictures?

Squirrels Class

This week all the Squirrels have been displaying the Bythams value of determination.

We have all been working really hard to learn all our songs and words for our Nativity, and although there has been lots to learn we have been doing lots of practising and doing so well!

We have also been showing lots of determination within our phonics and reading, supporting each other with our sounds (in particular looking at split digraphs) and thinking hard about how we use them in writing words and sentences.

In Maths we started looking at money, recognising and



ordering coins as well as thinking about how to make different amounts.



Foxes Class

Foxes have worked incredibly hard this week. In English, we loved following instructions to make a jam sandwich. We have continued to stack sentences to develop the skills we need to write our own instructions for how to train a dragon. Foxes are really enjoying Music lessons this term. They have been learning the lyrics and music to Mamma Mia by Abba and they have even thrown in some dance moves too!

In P.E this term, Foxes class are absolutely loving the topic of Invasion games in P.E! This week, they have learnt to defend and they worked so well in teams to defend their team and retrieve the ball!



Badgers Class

Well done for the determination that Badgers Class have shown in their assessments this week. You should all be very proud of how hard you have worked!

In Badgers, we have been continuing our topic work on Frozen Kingdom. The children have worked as a class to produce a timeline on the history of polar exploration to the Antarctic. They even found out that a British soldier called Captain Harpreet Chandi is currently training to be the first woman of colour to cross the Antarctic unsupported.

In geography, Badgers investigated why tourists visit the Antarctic and the impact this has on the environment. Did you know that the first airbus aeroplane landed in Antarctica this week?

