



Newsletter Friday 3rd December 2021



House Point Totals
Week Commencing: 22nd November 2021

	221		219
	214		227

Message from Mrs Grainger

The weeks seem to be racing past and we are fast approaching Christmas. We intend to still host audience-based Christmas events as we have already taken covid measures, but you will be expected to wear masks and adhere strictly to the two people rule.

On Tuesday we went on our whole school trip to the pantomime and it was wonderful. We all enjoyed a good old fashioned 'He's behind you' – Oh yes we did! Huge thanks to The Garrick Theatre and the volunteers that came to help our children.

Today was our Christmas fair. We are sorry that parents and carers couldn't come along but we are really pleased we could put together something that the children could still enjoy.

Hopefully you have had a chance to see Chadsmead Advent Alley developing in the glass corridor. Each class have decorated a wooden tree (skilfully made by Mr Goodwin – THANK YOU). These trees look amazing and classes have become quite competitive.

This week our sensory garden has had two visitors, who will be with us until the end of term. Two reindeers have come to watch over all the Chadsmead Festivities, classes will visit them next week. THANK YOU to our reindeer herders Mr Goodwin and Mrs Cookson for enabling them to come to Chadsmead.

Cold Weather

As the weather continues to become more wintry, please ensure that your child has a coat that is named. If you take a few minutes of time to name items of clothing, you will stand much more chance of being reunited with them should they become lost!

Sponsored Walk to Lapland

We hope your children have been updating you with their sponsored walk to Lapland – they have been through Germany and are heading to Sweden now - nearly there! Thank you for any sponsorship money raised – its really appreciated – all monies should be in school by Tuesday 14th December.

September 2022 Reception Intake

The application process for a Reception place for September 2022 will open on 1st November 2021. The closing date is 15th January 2022. Please apply via Staffordshire County Council Admissions: www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions

Gardening Club

Gardening Club has now finished until after February half term – now the cooler weather is here we won't be planting again until 2022. We will let all the Gardening Club children know when it starts again.

curriculum

What has your child been learning about in class this week?

Years 1 & 2

This week has been a wonderful week in Years 1 and 2. We had a super time visiting the Garrick to see Peter Pan and decorating our class Christmas tree we then finished the week with our school Christmas fair. It has been a fun packed week for all. In our classes, and in between all the fun, we have been busy completing assessments to show what we have learned since September and what we now know that we didn't before. All of the children have worked hard and tried their best! We have been practising our parts for the **KS1 Christmas production**, 'A Christmas Recipe' and learning the songs that go with it. It is coming together quite nicely. We would like to remind you that you are **invited to see us perform on Tuesday 14th December at 9:30 for Year 1 parents/carers and then on Wednesday 15th December at 9:30 for Year 2 parents/carers.** We look forward to seeing you all.

Years 3 & 4

Well what a great week we have had in Years 3 & 4. The visit to the Panto was amazing and it was a pleasure seeing the children's faces light up throughout the performance. This week we have had our assessments in Maths, Reading, Writing and VGPS. The children have all taken on this task with their usual enthusiasm and good cheer. Homework this week is Maths on the Learning with Parents website. Please can we politely remind parents and carers about children using Rockstar Timestables. Children in Years 3 & 4 are recommended to go on TT Rockstars 5x a week for 10 minutes per session. We do a lot of '3 minute challenges' in class nearly every day however, the real learning takes place when children use Rockstars at home. Please also ensure your child reads 5x a week as this is probably the most important thing they can do! Again, thank you very much for your support, it really does make a difference.

Years 5 & 6 this week have spent a lot of time looking at some of our assessments completed last week. We feel it is important to recognise our successes but also to look at our errors so that we can identify areas to develop in our future learning.

We have completed a lot of artwork to decorate a class Christmas Tree and we have been preparing for our Christmas Fair.

We have reached Finland in our virtual Lichfield to Lapland walk and have learned a lot about all the countries we have passed through on our way.

Tuesday of course we thoroughly enjoyed our visit to The Garrick to see Peter Pan!



Dates for the Autumn Term 2021

Friday 10 th December 2021	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 13 th December 2021	KS2 Performance 2.45pm – Year 3 Parents/Carers to watch this performance
Tuesday 14 th December 2021	KS1 Nativity 9.30am – Year 1 Parents/Carers to watch this performance
Tuesday 14 th December 2021	KS2 Performance 2.45pm – Year 4 Parents/Carers to watch this performance
Wednesday 15 th December 2021	KS1 Nativity 9.30am – Year 2 Parents/Carers to watch this performance
Wednesday 15 th December 2021	Children's Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 15 th December 2021	KS2 Performance 2.45pm – Year 5 Parents/Carers to watch this performance
Thursday 16 th December 2021	Nursery & Reception Nativity 9.30am
Thursday 16 th December 2021	KS2 Performance 2.45pm – Year 6 Parents/Carers to watch this performance
Friday 17 th December 2021	School breaks up at the end of the day for the Christmas holiday