Headteacher's Update - 15.12.23

Dear Parents.

Welcome to the last headteacher's update of the term and indeed of 2023.

Christmas Shows

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for the Nursery, Reception and KS1 Christmas shows and Nativity plays. I hope you enjoyed the performances. I thought the children did an amazing job and showed such great confidence in front of an audience. The singing, as always, was beautiful. The words spoken by the narrators at the end of the Nativity play are ones we should keep reminding ourselves of when life is so busy at this time of year:

"May the power of God's Glory

Touch the lives of you and me.

Have a safe and peace-filled Christmas,

Share God's love with everyone!"

We look forward to sharing more carols and readings with you at the outdoor carol service on Monday. Please bring an umbrella if it looks like rain as we really want to go ahead.

Reception Superheroes

The children in Reception have loved their 'Superheroes' topic – they know about comic book heroes such as spiderman and superman, but have now found out about real-life heroes including some of our parents. Thank you to Dylan's mum who came to talk to the class about her job as a nurse, and Reagan's dad who spoke about his role as a police officer.







Congratulations

Scarlett in 3L attended the Frost festival, cheer city in Coventry on Saturday competing in her first ever competition with her squad ACA Nova from Aylesbury Cheerleading Academy who came in first place and went on to be named divisional winners. A super achievement – well done Scarlett.

Staff News

We will be saying goodbye to Miss Morrissey at the end of the term as she moves onto a new school. We wish her all the best for the future and thank her for all her hard work over her time with us. We are delighted to welcome Miss Smith who will be taking over responsibility for 3S, and who has already started settling into the St Louis family.

Mrs Humphreys is stepping back from her role in breakfast club so she is better able to focus on her site manager role. Mrs Flaherty will be joining the breakfast club team in her place from January.

Parent Governor Elections

Thank you to all the candidates who put themselves forward to become a parent governor, and to all of you who voted. We had a really good response which shows what an interest you take in the life of the school. I am delighted to tell you that the successful candidates were Andy Williams and Limahl Samarasinghe. I look forward to working with them.

Finally I would like to thank you on behalf of all the staff for your kind words this term. They are much appreciated by all of us.

I wish you all a very peaceful and holy Christmas time and look forward to welcoming you back in the New Year.

Mrs Machin





Learning at St Louis



Reception

We have been learning: to read our 'tricky words'

You can help at home by: asking your child to find any tricky words in the story you read to them (she, go, he, was)

Year 1

We have been learning: how to make our own little Traction Man books.

You can help at home by: asking your child to retell the story or help them to make their own little books.

Year 2

We have been learning: how to make a moving vehicle.

You can help at home by: discussing the different parts a vehicle requires to make it move e.g. wheel, chassis, axle.

Year 3

We have been learning: about advent wreaths in RE.

You can help at home by: asking what each part of the wreath symbolises.

Year 4

We have been learning: about the gifts, the wise men brought to Jesus.

You can help at home by: asking what the gifts are and what they symbolise.

Year 5

We have been learning: what it means to wait in hope.

You can help at home by: asking how Christians prepare whilst waiting in hope for the coming of Jesus.

Year 6

We have been learning: how to write a persuasive letter as the character from our class book - 'Carrie's War'

You can help at home by: asking what techniques there are for writing persuasively.