



## Newsletter Friday 8th December 2023

Next week's lunch menu is Week 1

### Celebrations!



We welcomed parents and friends to the final **All Stars Assembly** of 2023. Congratulations to these children for demonstrating the following school values:

**Be proud – Isabelle, Tristan, Khadija, Freddie**

**Be independent – Hanaa**

**Reach high – Aaron-James**

Well done to the following children who have achieved...

**25 Monster Points:** Keonna

**50 Monster Points:** Ava, Lilly, Rori, Ella, Bethany, Elodie-Rae, Dhiyaan, Ava-Rose, Caleb, Haroon

**75 Monster Points:** Avelino, Elsie, Emily, Isabella, Joshua, Nolan-Gabriel, Oska, Salma, Scarlett, Ellie, Lizzie, Ava-Grace, Ingrid, Malachi

### Rainbow Reading Awards

Well done to the following children for all the reading at home:

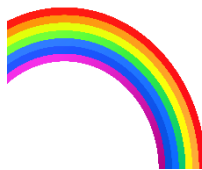
**Red:** Flynn, Cece, Arlo, Elodie-Rae, Scarlett, Lawson, Maely, Ralph, Frederick

**Orange:** Olivia, Luoie, Kian, Oska, Christopher, Riaan

**Yellow:** Lizzie, Riaan

**Green:** Elden, Lizzie

**Blue:** Lilith

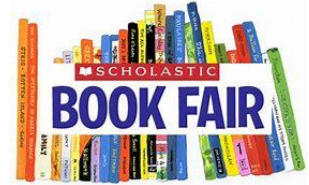


### Attendance Award

This week the award goes to Owl Class. Well done!

### Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Book Fair. It is open for business after school today and finally on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December. We can accept payment by card or mobile phone!



### Move it Boom

Well done to everyone who has helped us get to 10<sup>th</sup> place on the leaderboard! Let's have one last push until it finishes on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Remember to log all activity, including PE lessons!

1	Stokes Wood Primary School	988659
2	Old Mill Primary School	632700
3	The Latimer Primary School	548643
4	Bridge Junior School	449604
5	Lady Jane Grey Primary School	253824
6	Sibley Redlands Community Primary School	220248
7	Parks Primary School	207454
8	Falcons Primary School	174420
9	Launde Primary School	142500
10	Thorpe Acre Infant School	128952

### Christmas Performances

The children and staff have all been working very hard in rehearsals for the performances next week. In advance of these events, please can we remind you that the safeguarding of all children is everyone's responsibility and therefore **no recording or photography is permitted.**

Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.



## Christmas Service at All Saints Thorpe Acre Church

If you can walk with us to the church and back on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December, please let Mrs Pullen know. Thank you to the parents who have already volunteered!

## Pantomime – Treasure Island

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December, the children were treated to a traditional Christmas theatre experience – a panto! They really enjoyed the show and took advantage of all the audience participation!



## Refreshments – afternoon performances

Please do join us for refreshments following the afternoon performances next week. The staff have bought and made delicious treats for you to enjoy. Donations welcome for school funds. See you there!

## Dates for your diary:

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Final day Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2pm – YR Christmas performance

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am – YR Christmas performance

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2pm – Y1 & Y2 Christmas performance

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am & 2pm – Y1 & Y2 Christmas performances

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December am – Christmas Service at Thorpe Acre Church

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 4pm – Christmas stories

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – End of term

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – Start of Spring term

Have a lovely weekend

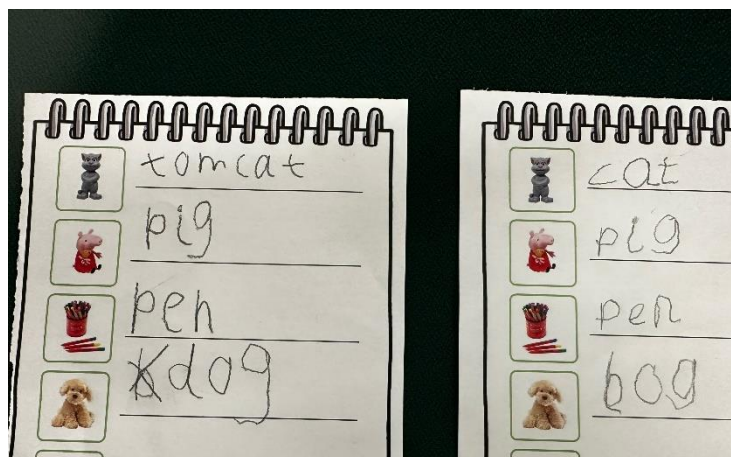
### Spotlight on Learning

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In Literacy, the children have been looking at modern toys and toys from the past. They have been examining the similarities and differences between old and new toys.



The children have also been writing lists of toys they would like for Christmas.



In Maths the children have learning to subitise amounts to 5. The children know the meaning of subitise "you look at an amount and say it without counting".

## Y1

Year 1 have been learning about the properties of 2D shapes and how to make repeating patterns correctly. In PHSE they have been learning how to respond to bullying and how to be confident and assertive.

## Y2

In PSHE the Y2 children made worry dolls following a lesson reading *Silly Billy* by Anthony Browne about a boy who worries about 'silly' things. He finds sharing his worries with his worry doll helps him to sleep.



In History, the children chose who they thought was to blame for the Gunpowder Plot and had to explain why. In Maths they have been exploring 3D shapes and learning about their properties using the vocabulary 'faces, edges, vertices and curved surface'.

In English, the children have written their own versions of the poem *Missing: Daisy, Anyone seen my Dragon?* by James Carter.

Here is a selection of fabulous poetry by children in Fox Class:

### **MISSING: Thomas**

Anyone seen my Fox?  
Mad and sad,  
Fluffy and white,  
Thomas the red fox.

He hides,  
He hunts,  
He eats,  
He climbs

Anyone seen my Fox?  
Mad and sad,  
Fluffy and white,  
Thomas the red fox.

**By Thomas in Fox Class**

### **MISSING: Spot**

Anyone seen my Cheetah?  
Spotty and sneaky,  
Big and blonde,  
Spot the savage cheetah.

She's got a long tail,  
She's happy too,  
She's got sharp claws,  
Her eyes are blue.

She runs around,  
She jumps up high,  
She eats a lot,  
She stares at you.

Anyone seen my cheetah?  
Spotty and sneaky,  
Big and blonde,  
Spot the savage cheetah.

**By Bethany in Fox Class.**