

Welcome to our... School Newsletter



A Great Term in School We have had very busy term in school with lots of children making very good progress. We have also, as always tried to have as much fun as possible whilst learning.

What have we been up to this half term?

Jake the mischievous Elf Jake a mischievous elf has been staying in foundation stage during the last few weeks and he has been busy making mischief by wrapping up the cloakroom and decorating the tree with toilet tissue. The children in foundation stage have loved all the Christmassy activities.



The Deep Year 1 & 2 had a wonderful visit to 'The Deep' in Hull where they found out all about the treasures of the deep which has been their 'essential question' for this term. They saw all sorts of creatures and used what they had found out from the visit to help them with their work when they got back.

Author Visit Year 3 & 4 have had a visit from a real author. His name was Stephen Pass and he wrote the story 'Madge the Mermaid'. Stephen read part of the story and showed the children the stages of writing a book including, how he got his ideas, planning, drafting and re-drafting. He showed his corrections, like we use our purple pens and how he used critique from friends.



Magna Year 5 & 6 visited Magna, they found out so much about earth and space. They also took part in a workshop about the size and distance between the planets and how a space rocket propels itself.

Fundraising We have had a fantastic response to our fundraising activities this half term. The School Council's Christmas coffee morning raised over £200 for Christmas parties, Carol singing also raised nearly £300 with the Christmas Fair raising £700. All of this will be used to purchase equipment for classes in the future. Thank you so much to the children for their hard work and to all who came to support.

Candlelighters As you may know our chosen charity this year is Candlelighters, so far we have raised £480 this, however, will increase as donations have come into school today for Christmas jumper day. The staff in school are also raising money by not sending Christmas cards to each other but instead donating the money they would have spent on cards to Candlelighters. A great community effort. This is Blake who is currently bravely fighting Leukaemia. Here he is with his beads of courage. A bead is given at every stage of his treatment. We are all so proud of you Blake.



Christmas Performances A big well done needs to go to all children in school they all performed brilliantly in school and in church. Thanks also need to go to staff for their hard work and all parents, relatives who came along to support.



The Gold Club! Following our recent re-launch of Mathletics many more children have been accessing Mathletics at home and we have many children with bronze and silver certificates. We have 5 children who are in our gold club, they have received their gold award. We hope many more children can become part of this elite group soon. We even had 2 children in school who last week were playing live Mathletics and scored 3rd in the World!



Attendance Award Our Education Welfare Officer visited school last week and congratulated us on our good attendance so far this year. We are above 96% which is our target, it is also the best attendance in our local pyramid of schools. Hopefully we can continue this trend throughout the year. Our 100% attendance winner this term is Samuel. Our over 97% attendance award winner is Dominika. Well done guys

Giggles and Scribbles Our new before and after school club is now up and running and proving very popular with children and parents. We offer care from 7.45-8.55am and 3.30-6.00pm. Sessions cost £5.00 for 1hr each day, £8.50 for 2hrs, £11.00 for 3 hrs and £12.00 for more than 3 hrs. There is also a 10% discount for each additional child.

Traffic and Parking Can parents please take care whilst driving and parking near school. There have been some concerns raised about parents parking irresponsibly sometimes on the pavement close to school. Could parents also refrain from parking in the staff car park and the disabled bay, this spot is used for a child in school who is a wheelchair user and children who access our communication resource.

Dates to Remember!

Tuesday 3rd January – School Opens after Christmas

And finally... Everyone at school would like to wish you all a safe and happy Christmas with your families and best wishes for a brilliant 2017.

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