



Ebchester Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parent,

As the festive season fast approaches, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of your support, particularly over the last few weeks. We have had an amazing run up to Christmas and a lot of that has been down to your support – thank you.

After School Sport and Art Clubs

The following clubs will run next half term:

Infants

Tuesday: Makaton Club with Mrs Askill

Wednesday: Story Club with Mrs Stavers

Thursday: Puzzle Club with Miss Rogers

Friday: Team Games with Mr Carr

Juniors

Tuesday: Mr Collingwood's Club – (Starting on the 21st January)

Wednesday: Dodgeball with AK Sports (4.15pm finish)

Thursday: Recorder Club with Miss Edmunds

Christmas Performances/ Coffee Morning

Many thanks to everyone who joined us to watch our Infant and Junior performances. I'm sure you'll agree that all of the pupils were amazing. We raised over £600 from the raffles and cake sale – thank you. This will go a long way to provide extra reading books for the junior children along with experiences for each of the children in the spring term.

Class Information

Class Four

Reception have finished their first full term at school. All of the children have settled in well and I am so proud of the progress that they have made. This week has been full of festivities, and it seems that the children have had lots of fun. We have ended the week with a surprise visit from a very special visitor - I'm sure the children will tell you all about it! I hope that you all have a lovely Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all in the new year **Mrs Askill – Key Person**



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Class Three

Class 3 have been very busy over the past few weeks. They worked so hard practicing for their Christmas play and put on a brilliant performance. This week we designed and made our own mini climbing frames for our Design and Technology topic 'Freestanding Structures'. The children carefully stuck together straws to create a strong frame and then adding swings, zip wires and even a climbing wall. After painting them lots of bright colours, they looked fantastic. Today we have a lovely day playing with toys and watching Toy Story 4 with some sweet treats! I hope all of Class 3 have a great Christmas! **Miss Edmunds**

Class Two

Wow, what a busy half term! After a week in Nepal, almost everyone coming down with the 'bug' whilst practising the nativity, carols, Christingle, making cards and lots of chaos we have finally made it to the end of term! I am really proud of their attitude and the effort Class Two have put into everything this term. I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas break and come back to school 'lurgy' free in January! Haha!

Miss Rogers

Class One

Class One have enjoyed a series of Science lessons this week all about properties of materials. We learnt about reversible and irreversible changes and investigated whether some processes, such as burning wood, making toast and dissolving sugar in water, were reversible or not. We also investigated what temperature of water was most effective for melting jelly cubes to make jelly. The jelly is still cooling down in the fridge but from our investigation this morning the children definitely think the hotter the water the better! **Mr Carr**



Parent- Teacher Association – First Meeting

After the Christmas break, we hope to hold a coffee morning for those parents who are interested in being involved in a parent/ teacher group. It will be an informal way of gauging interest in forming a group and also getting some feedback about the Christmas activities which have taken place. The meeting is due to take place on 21st January at 9.15am. Please contact Mrs Stavers if you require any further information.

Christingle – The Children's Society Collection

Many thanks to all of you who were able to join us for our Carol Service and Christingle yesterday. £105 was collected for The Children's Society.

Finally, as 2019 draws to a close, I would like to wish all of our pupils, parents and staff a wonderfully happy and relaxing Christmas. School reopens on the Monday 6th January 2020.

Yours sincerely,
Rachel Clasper
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