

Kirkby & Great Broughton CE School

Friday 9th December 2022

Schools are a special place to be at this time of year with the buzz of excited children, happy smiles, singing and laughter and perhaps a little bit of glitter! This year it is even more cherished as in 2022 we have been able to enjoy once again the Christmas events that we all took for granted back in 2019. As we come to the end of the term, the staff and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and healthy holiday and thank you for your continued support. May God fill your life with love, joy, and peace this Christmas and throughout the New Year.

Emma McCormick

Shining for our Community this Christmas

On Thursday, ten year 6 pupils spread joy to our community when they went to Stokesley Town Hall to sing a variety of Christmas songs for the lunch club. The children all did a fantastic job and were an absolute credit to our school. They also chatted to members of the lunch club, even teaching them some sign language. The members were so impressed with them, many saying it had made their Christmas.



An Invitation from The Choir

Unfortunately not all of our choir could attend the lunch club to sing. Therefore, in order for them to share the songs they have been working on, we would like to welcome members of our school and village community to a special musical performance by our school choir on Tuesday, 13th December at 2.45 pm They will be singing a variety of festive songs to get everyone in the Christmas spirit. We hope you can join us.

Nativities, Christmas Jumper Days and Parties

Next weeks brings so much to look forward to. The week kicks off with Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativities on Monday. The school had a sneak preview today and they are looking and sounding fantastic- a real treat!

Tuesday all are welcome at 2.45 to listen to our choir (see above)

Wednesday brings our Carol Service (see below) and Christmas lunch at school.

On Thursday AND Friday children can wear a Christmas jumper if they wish (this is not compulsory) or they may want to add a bit of tinsel to their uniform.

Thursday afternoon is the Y3-6 Christmas Party and Friday afternoon is the Reception and Years 1 and 2 parties. Information about these has gone out via Seesaw.

School closes at normal time on Friday and children are back in school on Wednesday 4th January 2023.

Tree Decoration

As well as decorating our school tree, the children at our Rising Stars club made and decorated another tree. Like our vision says - together they decorated and lit up the tree as a way of lighting the way for others!



Carol Service

A reminder that you are all invited to our Carol Service at St Augustine's at 11am on Wednesday. Please do come and sing along to some favourite Christmas Carols.

A polite request that you remain seated after the service until the children have all left the church. This will avoid crowding and will help keep our children safe leaving the church and on the walk back. Many thanks and we look forward to seeing you then.

Would you like to be part of the Crib Service?

St Augustine's Children's Crib Service - Christmas Eve

Every year, we put on the Children's Crib Service in the Church on Christmas Eve. If you would like your child to be involved in the Crib Service this year, please text Alex - 07876 551322 or email demel@btinternet.com

Rehearsals will be Mon 19 Dec at 4 - 5.30pm and Thurs 22 Dec 4 - 5.30pm at the church. The Crib Service starts at 4pm on Christmas Eve. Children will need to wear a Christmas jumper

A Special Christingle Service

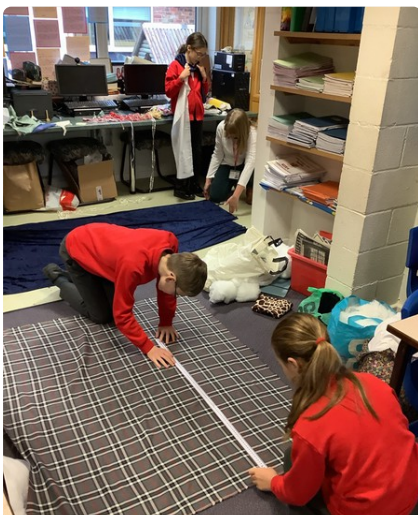
Last week, Year 6 led a school Christingle service as we moved into advent. It helped us to remember the true meaning of Christmas, how Jesus is light of the world and how we can 'light the way for others'



Y6 Saving Energy over Christmas

DT in Year 6

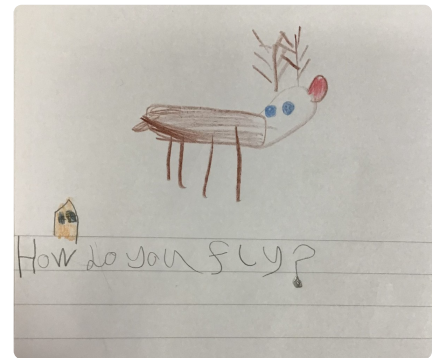
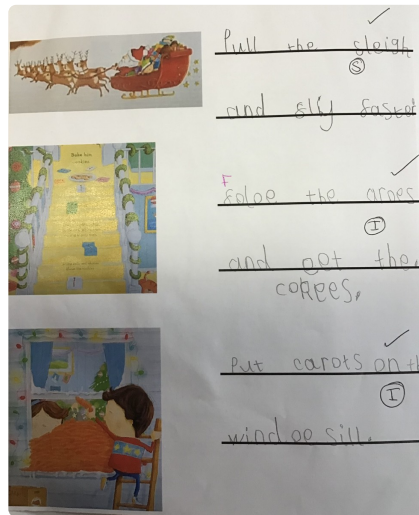
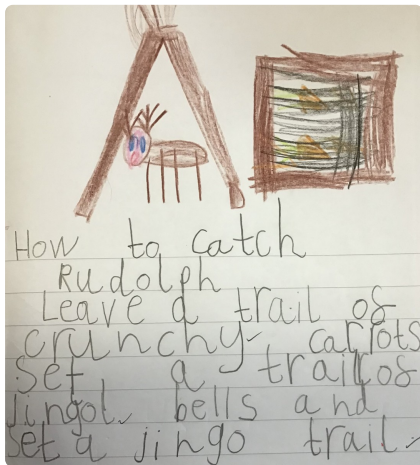
As part of our geography work this half term, children in year 6 have investigated how to make the school more sustainable. We recognised that lots of energy is used on heating the school. In order to save as much energy as possible, we decided to make draught excluders. Children designed their excluders to meet a specific specification and for a target audience. Some children designed their excluders for home; others designed their excluders for school. In order for the excluders to be eco-friendly, we tried (where possible) to reuse materials such as bubble wrap and old socks. We hope this has not spoiled any surprise Christmas presents!



Could You Catch Rudolph?

Year 1 have been reading the story 'How to Catch Santa' and have discussed ways to catch Rudolph instead. They have planned creative ideas to catch him using our lovely adjectives, written commands for him to follow and wrote questions they would ask him once caught.

They have had a great week filled with creativity!



Buying a device for Christmas?

Below is a link to information about setting up parental controls on devices

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/>

Dates for Diaries

12th December Key Stage 1 Nativity. Doors open 1.50 for a prompt 2pm start

14th December 11am Christmas service in church (all welcome)

Christmas dinner for children

15th and 16th December- Christmas jumper/accessories days

15th December Y3-6 Christmas Party

16th December YR,1 and 2 Christmas Party

School closes normal time

25th January 2023 6pm Parents' Forum via Zoom

Monday March 20th Spring parents meetings

WB 8th May Year 6 Sats Week. Tests will take place Tues-Friday

5th- 9th June 2023 Y6 residential

Community Notices



North Yorkshire
County Council



Ages 0-11

Christmas Reading Challenge



Read four library books before
Christmas and earn stickers,
a certificate and a personalised
decoration for your tree

FREE
Join the
challenge
today!



Safeguarding at KGB

It is the role of all adults in a child's life to keep them safe and all staff in school have regular training in safeguarding and child protection. You can read our safeguarding policies on our website. In our school the designated person for safeguarding is Mrs McCormick and the deputy safeguarding lead is Mrs Borwell. We are here to support children and families so please do get in touch if you have any concerns about a child's well-being or would like some support as a family.



Emma McCormick

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