

St. Francis' School Newsletter

16th December 2022



Value of the month – Patience



All the staff wish to thank parents and children for the many Gifts, cards and kind wishes received. We wish everyone a Happy and Holy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year with your families.



Dear Parents and Carers

Let it snow!

Well, we made it to the end of this term – the endless coughs and colds, and snow lasting as long as it has was not what we needed! Thank you to all Parents and Carers for your support over the last week with the disruption and changing arrangements the snow brought us! I hope that you all get some well-deserved rest in the coming week, and all manage to be fit and healthy for Christmas Day!



Silver Coin

The Reflection Liturgy was thoughtful and prayerful, as we considered others at this special time of year. We raised £123 for World Gifts which will be used to purchase a Vegetable Garden, Terrific Toilet and Water for a family. Thank you.



Christmas Jumper, Christmas Lunch & Father Christmas Visit.

The children thoroughly enjoyed their Christmas lunch and enjoyed wearing our Christmas jumpers. We had fun pulling crackers and sharing the jokes with each other and eating a tasty lunch, which was a credit to the excellent catering team we have in school. Our Cook Caroline, with help from Laura, Natalie, & Jeanette provided a lovely Christmas dinner with all the trimmings. Lunch was served by the staff and Christmas crackers and juice were donated by the School Association. The children made party hats and Christmas songs added to the festive atmosphere. The children presented gifts to the cook and her team in appreciation of their culinary efforts throughout the year. We have all had a fun packed Christmas party afternoon. The visit and presents from Father Christmas were a big hit!



Westminster Cathedral

Some of our Choir sang at Westminster Cathedral as part of the Woldingham Girls School Christmas Service. The children sang beautifully. It was a busy and very long day with travelling, the rehearsals and the Carol Service itself, but the children embraced it and were exceptionally well behaved throughout the day. It is a real privilege to be invited to join Woldingham School and we send our thanks for the invitation. Our children are to be commended for representing the school so well. Thank you to Mrs Hardy for preparing them so well and to Mrs Linehan and Mrs Rodriguez- Williams for their help on the day.



Celebration Assembly

Well done to all those certificate winners this week and to **John Fisher** for winning the House Points Cup.

Have a healthy, Holy and peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Wheeler and Staff



Fun In The Snow



Calendar Dates

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| 3 rd January 2023 | School Reopens @ 9am |
| 5 th January | NSPCC Workshop Years 5 & 6 |
| 9 th January | Knowledge Organisers Meeting for Parents. 9.15am & 5pm |

Primary School Admissions for 2023

Please remember the deadline for **Reception 2023 applications** to School Admissions is the 15th January.
Any applications received after this date are treated as late applications.

Christmas Lunch & Santa Visit

