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Dear Parents

Only two weeks before we break up! Nursery's, Our First Nativity, was the first performance to go on the road earlier this week. Read on to find out more!

Attendance and Attitude towards Learning for Last Week

Well done indeed to the classes below for achieving high attendance last week, and to all the children in school for achieving 96.6%.

Last Week's ATL Winners		Weekly Attendance	
FS	RM	2M	99.3%
KS1	1H	3D	99%
LKS2	4C	6W	98.9%
UKS2	5T	Whole School	96.6%

ATL Points Cup Winners

Congratulations to Olivier in 4J and to Jo-Jo in 5T for earning the most ATL points individually last week in their Key Stages.

KS2 Choir



Mrs Brown took the KS2 Choir to Solihull College last week to sing at the Enterprising Women event run by the Chamber of Commerce. Children sang their hearts out and thoroughly enjoyed singing to an intimate audience. Well done choir and Mrs Brown!

Christmas Fayre

Yet another tremendous event this year, with a super-duper turn-out. The total raised was an amazing £8000! Many, many thanks to the sub-committee for pulling the event together, to the main committee for their unwavering determination, to all

of the children and yourselves and friends for coming on the day and to the many parents and staff who worked tirelessly before, during and after the event to ensure that everything was ready for the day and that the school was fit for purpose on the children's return to school on Monday. It was an absolutely fantastic team effort. Thank you all so, so much!



Tag Rugby

Our Year 3 Tag Rugby players played their first match last week at home versus Eversfield. The whole squad showed great promise with Henry D earning great praise from our opponent's teacher. The final score was a 9-4 defeat. However, for long periods of the game possession changed hands regularly in a very exciting game. Well played to all of the boys.

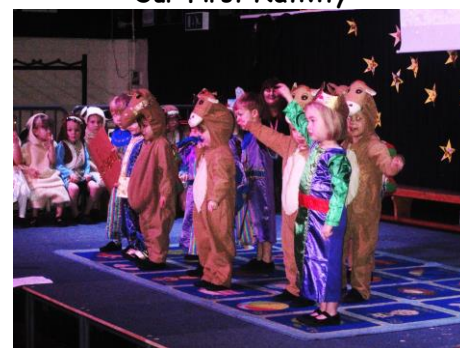
Football

Year 6 footballers had a mixed week during their games in last week's tournament. They started off strongly, with two outstanding individual goals from Harry H and Ethan W ensuring a 2-1 victory over Greswold; this was built upon in the next game with some excellent passing moves and strong defending against Monkspath. However, despite having beaten this team twice recently, our boys were beaten 3-0, which just goes to prove that you can only ever predict what results might be. Nonetheless, our boys were a credit to everyone during the games. A special mention must be made regarding Fred D, who led from the front throughout and was a source of inspiration to the team. Very well done to all of our players!

British Ballet

A special mention must also go to Georgia W in 6W. Georgia recently attended a ballet audition and has earned a Scholarship for the BBO, British Ballet Organisation, in London next year. She will be making regular visits to the Arts Educational School in Chiswick. What an achievement Georgia. Well done indeed.

Our First Nativity



Wow! I love Christmas and I have loved both of these shows this week! The Nursery children have been absolutely amazing and I am delighted that you have shared with me the huge amount of pleasure



that you have had from watching them. Congratulations to the staff and many, many thanks to every one of you for your help with the preparation for the performances. A magical time!

Only 3 Shopping Saturdays until Christmas!

**Have a great week-end
GT Burgess**

Nursery Zig and Zog's Stars of the Week

Miss Sargent's class - Spencer & Ethan

Mrs Basener & Mrs Parkin's class - Hayden & Alfie C

Robin's Stars of the Week

Alex H, RK

Zac A, RM

Ben A, RW

Rosie R, RC

Writers of the Week

Carolina J-L, RM

Jacob G & Jessica H, RK

Charlotte H, RC

Ben L & Shaan R, 1R

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Luke W, 1H

Chloe H, 2M

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Lewis F, 2K

Maths Wizards

Artie K-P, 1R

Lexi Lou F, 1H

Tawny H, 1D

Matilda C, 2M

Nancy P-G, 2K

Jonty D, 2B

Good Choice Stars of the Week

Evie J, 1H

Toby W, 2B

Matilda D, 3P

Ralph P, 4W

Molly W, 5B

Alex F, 6B

Lara B, 1R

Nancy P-G, 2K

Isabelle C, 3C

Hannah B, 4C

James B, 5B

Arjun D, 6W

Lewis B, 1D

Tilly C, 2M

Oliver M, 3D

Hannah C, 4J

Jasmine B, 5P

Edward S, 6K

DIARY DATES

Monday 7 December	2.00pm	Reception Nativity	
Tuesday 8 December	2.15pm	Year 1 Nativity	
Wednesday 9 December	Nursery and Reception to Warwick Arts Centre - The Gruffalo's Child		
	2.15pm	Year 2 Nativity	
Thursday 10 December	6.00pm	Year 1 Nativity	
	6.00pm	Year 2 Nativity	
Friday 11 December	2.00pm	Reception Nativity	
Monday 14 December	Years 3 & 4	Carol Concerts	
Tuesday 15 December	Whole School Christmas Dinner		
	Years 5 & 6	Carol Concerts	
Wednesday 16 December	Years 1 - 6 to Leamington Spa Centre Pantomime - Jack & the Beanstalk Christmas Party Day for Nursery and Reception		
Friday 18 December	TERM ENDS		
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS!			
Monday 4 January	INSET		
Tuesday 5 January	BACK TO SCHOOL		
Tuesday 12 January	Young Voices Choir Performance		
Friday 22 January	9:05am	Class Assembly	1H
	2:45pm	Class Assembly	5B
	7:30pm	Headteacher's Quiz	
Friday 29 January	9:05am	Class Assembly	1D
	2:45pm	Class Assembly	5P