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THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

Achieving Success Promoting Individual
Responsibility and Excellence

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week started with a 'BANG'. Quite literally when the 'Mad Science' team came in on Monday and led an exciting whole school assembly full of experiments.



The rest of the week has been packed with rehearsals for the different shows and making all sorts of lovely Christmas crafts and goodies.

Next week will be even busier, with our Christmas Lunch and 'Wear a Jumper Day' on Monday, all the different performances and then the whole school trip to the Pantomime to see Snow White next Friday. We can't wait!



Thank you for all your support of the children with their costumes and helping them learn their lines and songs.

Year 1 were quite simply amazing when they performed to the whole school and grandparents this morning.

As well as rehearsals the children have worked really hard in all areas of their learning.

Reception

This week in Reception we've been writing our wish lists for Christmas and letters to Santa. We have been practising our numbers from 11-20 and can name sooo many 3D shapes. Do ask us over the weekend! We've made Christmas paper chains and some lovely cards.



Year 1

Our pre-cursive handwriting is really coming along and we've told Miss Hiles and Miss Parker-Fraser that we're going to keep practising at home as well. We're getting much more confident at counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and telling the time. Please bear with us if we keep stopping when we pass a clock. Thank you for sending in the tins for our Christmas cakes, we can't wait to start making them next week. Look at some of our cards!

Year 2

We've been sitting assessments this week and are really proud of our achievements and the progress we've made. We're learning to multiply using arrays and have started the Cracking Times Tables scheme. We've loved making our own calendars and can't wait to perform our concert for you all.

Year 3

Have you read the story 'Coming Home?' It's lovely and we're using it to write our own versions. We've also started to look at Geometry and describe and sort shapes using their properties and characteristics. Our fantastic Pharaohs topic is amazing and we particularly enjoyed learning about mummification this week and creating our own death masks.



Christmas Fayre

Thank you for everyone's hard work and contributions to different stalls and prizes. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Happy Christmas



Walmsley Christmas Card Competition

Well done to everyone who submitted amazing drawings to be submitted to the Walmsley Christmas Card Competition and congratulations to Rishona (3SW) for winning first prize, Tara (2AM) for winning second prize, and Imogen (3SW) for winning third prize.

Cross Country

Good luck to all the children participating in the next Cross Country event at Chiltern Edge school tomorrow morning.

Attendance

Congratulations to all the pupils in Miss Parker-Fraser's Class on achieving 98.4% attendance this week - well done!! Hector will be enjoying next week in 1CPF!

Spotlight

Reception - Callen (RSR) for getting his first badge in Gymnastics, Alex and Oscar (RAO) for achieving Level 2 Swimming.

Year 1 - Sara (1VH) for achieving Level 4 Swimming, Rishi (1VH) for swimming 5 metres, Theo for showing excellent commitment and focus at Theatretrain and Kacper for completing Level 1 of his skiing course.

Year 2 - Lily (2AM) for achieving Level 4 Swimming, Zak for achieving Level 2 Swimming and getting his first yellow Judo stripe, Emma for swimming 5 metres, Joshua for being invested in Beavers.

Year 3 - Roshni for achieving Level 3 in Swimming and being invested in Brownies, Rose for swimming 20 metres, Amelia (2HK) for performing as 'Georgia' in her drama school performance of 'Peter Pan'.

Congratulations to all the children who took part in the **Santa Run** last weekend in Reading Town Centre - Imogen and Betsy (RAO), Oliver (1CPF), Kacper (1VH), YingGe (2AM), Hannah, Joshua and Tom (2HK)

Congratulations to you all!

PUPILS OF THE WEEK:

Reception - Callen and Isaac (RSR), Taran and Alice (RAO)

Year 1 - Finn and Joe (1CPF), Lucy and Elyone (1VH)

Year 2 - Scarlett and Mira (2AM), Eddy and Indi (2HK)

Year 3 - Aiobh and Freya (3SW)



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 10 th December	3pm - 5pm Christmas Fayre at school
Friday 9 th December	Year 1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal @ 9.45am
Monday 12 th December	Year 2 & 3 Carol Concert Dress Rehearsal @ 9.30am
	School Christmas Dinner
	Y1 Nativity Play @ 2.30pm
Tuesday 13 th December	Year 2 & 3 Carol Concert @ 2.30pm
	Y1 Nativity @ 5.30pm
Wednesday 14 th December	Reception Nativity Dress Rehearsal @ 9.30am
	Year 2 & 3 Carol Concert @ 5.30pm
Thursday 15 th December	Reception Nativity @ 9.30am
Friday 16 th December	Whole school trip to see Snow White at the Hexagon
Wednesday 21 st December	Last Day of Term (1.30pm finish)



Karen Edwards
Headteacher

PTFA NEWS

Christmas Cards

Most have been collected but if you don't have yours yet please collect at pick up tomorrow, OR contact Aalia Bhatti or Carli Jordan re collection at the Fayre or alternative.

Christmas Fayre - LESS THAN 24 HOURS TO GO! Saturday 3.00 pm - 5.30 pm

Featuring:

Santa's Grotto

Amazing Raffle and Tombola Prizes

Crafts and Games (to keep the children entertained!)

Bar (to keep the parents happy!)

Beautiful Handmade Christmas Decorations and Gifts

Cakes, Refreshments & BBQ

Face Painting

A Wonderful Christmas choir to get everyone in the Christmas spirit & more...

WE STILL NEED SOME HELP PLEASE

1) First Aiders

Are there any first aiders going to the Fayre?

Please email Richard Hepwood rhepwood@hotmail.com

2) Items Needed

Tinsel

Lights

Ladder

If you can loan any of these for the Fayre please email Richard Hepwood: rhepwood@hotmail.com

3) Set-Up

- Friday 9 December from 6 pm - stall leads only

- Saturday 10 December from 9.30 am- all welcome!

As many hands on deck as possible please!

4) Raffle:

If you still need to return raffle STUBS post in the blue PTFA box tomorrow or you can bring them to the Fayre!

Finally

Trampoline - Silent Auction

A 10FT Trampoline With Safety Net Enclosure, Rain Cover & Ladder, RRP £119 will go to the highest bidder at the Fayre.

Please give your silent bids to Sue for your chance to win.

NB The trampoline was purchased by Heights parents but not used. Buyer will have to collect and dismantle from Elliott's Way.