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THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a week! I don't think we could have packed in more if we tried! We had the joint Choir performance to parents on Monday, Year 4 Football versus Thameside and Key Stage 2 Christmas Carol Concert at St Andrew's Church on Tuesday, a visit from Caversham Road Fire Service on Wednesday, the whole school trip to see Aladdin at The Hexagon yesterday and today it's Christmas Jumper Day and a Year 4 River Walk! I'm exhausted just writing it all down!

Choir Performance

The joint Choir performance to parents was lovely and the Key Stage 1 and 2 children thoroughly enjoyed being together. Many thanks to Mrs Bentley, Mr Bethel, Mrs Fallon and Mark Bassett for all their time and effort leading and developing the Choirs.

Christmas Carol Concert - Key Stage 2

Thank you so much to Reverend Nigel Jones for hosting the Key Stage 2 performance at St Andrew's Church. It was absolutely packed with parents and other family members and wonderful to see the children having loads of fun singing on stage. Thank you to the Key Stage 2 staff team for organising and leading and also to parents for the hefty collection received after the performance - £323 will be donated to Readifood!

Friendly Football Match

Congratulations to the Year 4 pupils who were invited by Thameside to play a friendly football match on Tuesday. Mr Ellison walked the children over to play a thrilling match which ended in a 10-9 win to Thameside. Thank you to Mr Ellison and also to Thameside!



Aladdin!

Over 300 of us went to the Hexagon to watch Aladdin yesterday. 'Oh yes we did...!'. All of the KS2 pupils walked there in the sunshine whilst Key Stage 1 pupils took the coach. It is always such a fun day and the children laughed, screamed, shouted and danced at all the right times. I couldn't resist a boogie myself at the end! I really appreciate all the support of the staff, parents and governors who helped on the day. We've already booked to watch Cinderella next year!

Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for helping us support Save The Children's Christmas Jumper Day today - we have raised £165! What an array of jumpers - who designs them all?!



Fire Services Visit

Four officers from Caversham Road Fire Service came into school with one of their Fire Engines on Wednesday. They spoke to year 1 who discussed and compared the equipment and fire-fighting strategies used in the 21st Century to those in the Great Fire of London. The Year 5s discussed what to do in the event of a fire and learned about the importance of testing smoke alarms. Thank you to Caversham Road's team for taking the time to come and talk to both year groups of pupils. They all got a lot out of the visit.

River Walk

4RR went on a walk by the River this morning to support their work in their Science topic on animals and habitats. It is wonderful to have such good access to so many different places that enrich the children's learning experiences. 4CT will be completing their walk next week.

Christmas Fayre

Can I say a huge thank you to the Year 4 parents for organising a fabulous Christmas Fayre last Saturday. It was beautifully spread out with lots of stalls and different activities for both the children and adults. Special thanks to Workday for very generously making and donating the gorgeous Cookie and Gingerbread Mixture Gift Jars. It was a really lovely afternoon for the family. It takes a lot of time and effort to organise these events, particularly at this busy time of year. Well done!



PUPILS OF THE WEEK:

RED - Elijah, Joe, Marek and Miles.

RSR - Borna, Ella, Indi, Matthew, Noah and Yuan Li.

Spotlight

Swimming

Ada for earning a Puffin award for travelling 5 metres.

Cara, Noah, Alex and Samuel for completing Level 1.

Yuan Li for completing Stage 2.

Lara, Varya, Sam, Callen, Matthew and Zayn for completing Stage 3.

Hannah for completing Stage 4.

Gymnastics

Noah for completing Gymfinity Level 2.

Miah for achieving Level 2.

Annam for achieving Level 4.

Matthew for achieving Level 5.

Amelie for achieving Level 6.

Anna for achieving Level 7.

Hannah for achieving Level 8.

Beavers

Zayn for being invested as a Beaver Scout at 3rd Reading Wildwood Beaver Colony.

Callen for earning his Night Hike Level 1 badge and Teamwork badge.

Rainbows

Hannah for completing her Rainbows Journey with 1st Caversham and earning her Pot of Gold certificate.

Drama

Alex for completing the Perform Gold Challenge with Distinction.

Violin

Varya for practising every week for 10 weeks with challenge.

Martial Arts

Matthew for earning his Green Belt.

Alice for earning her Brown Belt.

Taran for earning his Yellow Belt.

Ninja Zone

Elliot for completing the White 1 Ninja Mission.

Santa Run

Mia and Amie, Oscar, Ivy, Marnie, James and Aadi for all completing this year's Santa Run.

Well done everyone!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

KS2 Carol Concert at St Andrew's Church	Tuesday 11 th December 6.30pm (Confirmed)
Whole School Trip to the Panto	Thursday 13 th December
Christmas Jumper Day!	Friday 14 th December
Musical Theatre Club - Performance for Parents	Monday 17 th December (during club time) (Years 1 & 2) Wednesday 19 th December (during club time) (Years 3-5)
FS Dress Rehearsal to KS2	Tuesday 18 th December 9.30am (School Hall)
FS Dress Rehearsal to KS1 & Grandparents	Wednesday 19 th December 9.30am (School Hall)
FS Production to Parents	Thursday 20 th December 9.30am (School Hall)
KS1 Production at St Andrew's Church	Tuesday 18 th December 6.30pm Wednesday 19 th December 6.30pm
School Christmas Dinner	Wednesday 19 th December
Last Day of Term	Friday 21 st December, school finishes at 1.30pm
Start of Term 3	Monday 7 th January 2019



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