



Dates for your diary

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term has flown by and we have so many wonderful things to celebrate. We have been working hard to improve our maths skills and have enjoyed using Rockstar maths to help us improve our times tables. Please encourage your child to use their login and play the games at home.

Thank you to the parents who attended the parent forum last week. We discussed improvements in maths learning and progress against our school priorities. We looked at examples of learning across the school to see these improvements in place. As requested, our next focus will be on the non-core subjects and how these are developed. We will also be discussing homework – the content, frequency and expectation of this to enable us to review the policy and make the necessary changes moving forward. If you would like to share your views, please feel free to attend.

Our School Council have been extremely busy working on our rewards system and have finalised the 'gold star treats' that will be used across the school, these include special badges and an afternoon of baking. Next week, some children will be receiving their rewards for being on the gold star five or more times.

As we prepare for Christmas, we have been learning about the advent wreath, lighting a candle each week and thinking about the values they represent. The first candle represents hope and the second was peace – we have been thinking about how we can have hope for our school and community to ensure that the value of peace is carried out. Topaz, Emerald and some of the choir have been visiting our local residential homes to spread the Christmas spirit and have impressed local residents with their performances.

We are looking forward to many wonderful festive experiences such as our Christmas lunch, a special visitor and a Christmas party in class next week. Merry Christmas!

Kind regards

Mrs T Boulter

**Monday 17th December
11.15 – 12.15am**

Christingle making in class, parents are welcome to come and help their children.

Monday 17th December 2pm

Topaz and Emerald Class Nativity at the village hall.

Please could adults support with walking to and from the church.

Tuesday 18th December

Christingle Service 10.30

Thursday 20th December

Last day of term

Friday 4th January

Staff inset day

Monday 7th January

Back to school

Inspiration day – all children launch new topics.

Routine week begins

Wednesday 17th January

Special visitor in for collective worship

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Christmas jumper day. We have raised lots of money for Save the children.



Attendance

This week's attendance is: 96%

Topaz Class was 100%, well done!

Your child is expected to have at least 97% attendance and should aim for 100%, we will not authorise any holidays in term time.

Here is a snapshot of our week...

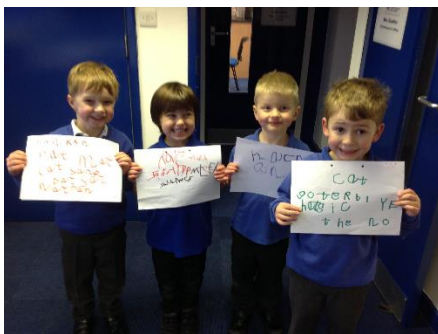
Amethyst Class enjoyed inviting parents in to take part in a Christmas craft morning – they enjoyed printing, creating cards and much more!



Emerald Class enjoyed visiting local residents and performing in front of them.



Topaz Class have been enjoying writing this week, I have had numerous visitors to show me their learning. They have also created reindeer faces using 2D shapes.



Moonstone Class have been learning about the Victorians and have performed many wonderful Christmas carols. They also shared many interesting facts and their learning with parents

