



# DECEMBER NEWSLETTER



*A message from Mrs Foston...*

*After an extremely busy few weeks, I would like to wish all of our school community a very Merry Christmas. I hope everyone has a lovely break, enjoying the festivities with family and friends and look forward to seeing you all in 2025.*



## Staffing update



We say goodbye and good luck to Mrs Sawdy as she moves on to a new position. We would all like to thank her for the contribution she has made to our school and wish her the very best.

## Music News

The key stage one and key stage two choirs have been AMAZING over the last few weeks. They have been performing in the community at the Christmas market, Christmas Fair and in front of their parents at the Choir Recital which was fantastic. We are so proud of the hard work they have put in. Our key stage two choir are busy in preparation for their annual trip to Young Voices. They will be travelling to Sheffield to take part in the 'largest children's choir concert in the world!' The choir are excited for this trip and have been busy learning songs ranging from Bob Marley to Benson Boone! This will be taking place on 8th January.



# Sports News

This month the children have taken part in another sporting event. On the 6th of December, children from our Year 5/6 cohort took part in the Sports Hall Athletics event where the children showed amazing attitude and athleticism throughout the afternoon. This resulted in our children coming second which is an amazing achievement.

Next term our children will be taking part in numerous events which include a table tennis competition and a cross-country competition as well as many more. Along with these competitions, we have also had a football coach in to help develop some of our KS2 children's footballing skills including dribbling, passing, tackling and shooting. We have also had our netball coach in to teach some of our Year 5s and 6s different skills.



## Key Stage 1 update

The children from Ladybirds, Dragonflies, Hedgehogs and Rabbits performed their Nativity on Wednesday 11th December. The children were all amazing and definitely did Donington proud! We loved being able to perform at the church in front of so many friends, family members and carers.



## Key Stage 2 update

It was lovely for Kestrels, Hawks, Falcons, Squirrels, Badgers and Moles to perform their Christmas Carol Concert to parents, carers and family members on Monday 16th December. Thank you for sharing this event with us. We thought the children were amazing and spoke confidently and sang beautifully.



# PTFA Update

## Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair was another huge success, thank you to everybody that supported us either by volunteering or attending. It was lovely to see so many people joining us from the community...and the North Pole! We have raised a huge £1321.58 for our school!



## Pantomime

We hope all the children enjoyed the Pantomime performance of Cinderella by Boston College. All the children were very excited and enjoyed getting involved with the performance. The children have been fundraising super stars this year so it was nice to reward them with a little treat to say a big thank you for all they do to make our Fundraising projects a success.



## Coin Wars

As the classes enjoyed being in competition with each other for the Fund-Raisin challenge, we have decided to give them another chance to be crowned "Class Fundraising Champions" as they take on their next challenge of...COIN WARS! Each class will be given a milk bottle to fill with spare change that they can bring to school. Each class will set their own, achievable target and the challenge will begin on the 6th January and go right through until the 4th of July.





# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2025

## January

6th - Start of Spring Term 1  
8th - Young Voices  
9th - Table Tennis Competition  
17th - Boccia  
20th - Flag Fen (Moles)  
21st - Flag Fen (Badgers & Squirrels)  
24th - Y3/4 Indoor Sports Athletics

## February

6th - Gymnastics Development day  
14th - End of Spring Term 1  
24th - Start of Spring Term 2  
26th - Year 6 Houses of Parliament Trip

## March

6th - Cross Country  
6th - World Book Day  
7th - Goal Ball  
17th - Roots to Food  
18th - Roots to Food  
20th - Lincoln Castle Trip Y1/2

## April

3rd - Basketball development day  
4th - End of Spring 2



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