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## **QUINTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND - SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

The value for this half term is:

### **CHRISTMAS**

*“Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will birth to a son, and will call him Emmanuel”.*

### **MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER**

Dear Parents/Carers,

What an eventful and successful week!

I was delighted to welcome so many grandparents and friends joining us for the nativity on Monday. At least double the number we had last year. Thank you for spreading the word and encouraging them to come. The children were fantastic, so I am sure they enjoyed it. On Tuesday again it was fabulous to see so many of you and I was bowled over by the children, who did so well. Lot of thanks to the staff who rehearsed and practiced with the children enabling them to be so confident and faultless.

Wednesday saw the Tickled Pink production of Wizard of Oz. Not only did they perform the panto, but they had a workshop before and 30 children were able to perform alongside the professional actors in the play. It was brilliant. Thank you so much to the PTA for funding this superb experience for all the children.

Onto Thursday's Christmas lunch, again funded by the PTA for Key Stage 2. As well as a Christmas dinner with all the trimmings, the children had crackers and a typically festive atmosphere. Key Stage 1 and Foundation then enjoyed a Christmas Party in the afternoon.

And onto Friday, when we welcomed James Haskell, rugby player from the Northampton Saints, who also plays for England. He talked to the children during assembly inspiring them and encouraging them to take up the offer of the afterschool club and in-school sessions coached by the Northampton Saints which start in January. This is part of the partnership that Mr Vernon has organised with the Northampton Saints. In the afternoon we finish with the Christmas Extravaganza where children chosen by their classes to represent the class, will perform in a talent show in front of the whole school.

Hey! Still not the end! The children are then having a Film Night after school organised by the PTA.

I think you will all agree that this week has been Phenom ally exciting, thanks to the staff and the PTA, and now you can have your hyped up and exhausted children for the weekend. Have a happy one.

Looking forward to seeing your grandparents, friends and neighbours at our Senior Citizens Christmas Tea Party on Tuesday afternoon and all of you at church on Wednesday afternoon for the Christingle service.

Kind regards  
Krys Kuzminska



Amazing assembly this morning. England and British Lions international James Haskell popped into to school to say hello! (see the pictures below). As part of our relationship with Northampton Saints, James agreed to come and inspire the children to get more involved in sports.

He entertained the children with a few stories from his career across the globe from Wycombe to Wellington New Zealand. He then faced a series of tough questions from the children - including, 'Would you like to be a teacher at Quanton?'

He then awarded the Stars of the Week and finished with a high five for all the children as they left assembly.

Huge thank you to James and Northampton for coming in, the staff and children had a great time. Hopefully this will inspire more children to join up to the new clubs next term.

**Mr J Vernon**  
**Assistant Headteacher**

### **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

Our new member of the office!!!!!!!!!!



## HOUSE COMPETITION

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### OUT AND ABOUT

#### EYFS

Reception have had a very busy week.

They started the week with fabulous performances for grandparents and parents. This was followed by a panto, Christmas lunch and party and an extravaganza of talent put on by Key Stage 2.

In addition to this, they have enjoyed making salt dough tree decorations, party hats, making Christmas trees and writing to Santa.

**Mrs G Tinto/Mrs C Lembke-Davies**

#### CLASS 1

The children have been feeling very festive this week.

We must start by saying how proud we were of all of the children in the two wonderful nativity performances (see the pictures below) – we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did along with the tasty mince pies we made for you.

Continuing the festive theme, we had a lovely Christmas lunch together, wearing our Christmas jumpers, followed by our party, which we enjoyed with EYFS and Year 2. The children are still 'buzzing' re-telling their favourite parts and characters from the Pantomime; Wizard of Oz.

So to work – In maths, we have continued to count in multiples of 2,5 and 10. We are now amazing at continuing these patterns. We also completed our topic on continuing these patterns. We also completed our topic on money, learning to give change.

In English, we included adjectives in a description about an ideal Christmas gift and have written our own stories based on 'Grace & Family'. We were most impressed by the fact we had become authors ourselves!

Finally, a little reminder – could children bring in jam jars on Monday, as we will be making something quite lovely! Which leaves all the staff in Year 1 to wish you and your families a very happy Christmas!

**Mrs L Haynes/Mrs K Howard**



## **CLASS 2**

What a week we have had this week! I could not be prouder of each and every single person in year 2 for their fabulous performances of Hey Ewe on Monday and Tuesday. There were lots of nerves but they all absolutely nailed it. Thinking back to this time last year, when we had a few tears about even going on to stage to dance, it is an amazing transformation and I will admit I did shed a tear or two! We've also had the pantomime in and our Christmas party and even with so much going on the class has worked like troopers.

As well as all the Christmas story activities, we have managed to fit in the rest of our work on fractions, written non-chronological reports about animal migration and learnt lots about the Titanic, including exploring why the disaster became such a famous event in history.

We have had a wonderful first term of Year 2 and everyone definitely deserved their Christmas break to relax and recharge. Great job Year 2!

**Miss Hamish-Wilson**



**EYFS, Class 1 and Class 2 have decorated baubles for Waddesdon Manor which will be displayed over the festive period. Please feel free to take your children there to have a look.**

## **CLASS 3**

Year 3 have had a brilliant week this week. They have really grasped the concept of number and place value, comparing the hundreds, tens and ones with £1, 10p and 1p coins. We finished writing our adventure story this week. The children have really impressed me with their ability to use their imagination to go on an adventure. They have also learnt how to edit and improve their own work, making sure their punctuation is correct, or whether they could add some more similes and adjectives within their story to make it more interesting to read. I have thoroughly enjoyed this first term and I hope you all have wonderful Christmas!

**Mr M Woods**

## **CLASS 4**

This week Year 4 have been working very hard in English and Maths. This was the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of the assessments.

In Art we are drawing pictures of Ancient Egyptian Gods in profile.

We loved watching the nativity and thought EYFS & KS1 did a fantastic job!

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*Helping each other to be the best we can be.*

The Year 4 staff and children would like to wish everybody a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Mrs D Mason**

### **CLASS 5**

We have been treated to plenty of special events this week - pantomime, nativity play, Christmas meal - but we have managed some learning! We have been recapping factors, prime numbers and division in Year 5 maths this week. English has been all about reading comprehension skills through our class read - Barnaby Rooket.

Other lessons this week have included ICT, where the children produced a Scratch animation game. During PE we practiced our basketball passing skills and in art created some stunning paper snowflakes to add a Christmas touch to the classroom.

Have a lovely weekend all!

**Mr J Vernon**

### **CLASS 6**

Year 6 had a good half term; they have been working hard in all subjects and trying to improve their knowledge across several areas.

Ms Monteiro is looking forward to her Christmas break and she wishes Year 6 children and their families an amazing holiday.

See you in 2019!

**Ms R Monteiro**

**We are pleased to say that we now have a live school calendar on the website – please note that this is not visible on phones at present but we are working on solving this issue. Please access through our website, <http://www.quinton.bucks.sch.uk>, and select News & Events then Calendar. We will continue to share dates on the newsletter too. Additionally, you can find out about upcoming events on our Facebook page. Search for *Quinton C of E Primary School*.**

### **VALUE STARS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Our value stars and book token winners for this term are:

Darcy Year 6

Millie Year 2

Harry Year 2

Well done to you all.

### **CHRISTINGLE SERVICE**

Leading up to the Christingle Service at the end of term, children took home candle moneyboxes to collect coins.

The donations of which will be given to the Children's Society. We would ask that the moneyboxes be returned to school by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018.

Children will be making their own Christingles in school. These will be lit in church on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. You are welcome to join our service at the church at 2pm.

Any further donations for the day will also be given to the Children's Society.

### **HERCULES CLUB**

The Hercules club has now finished until the New Year. Also, please note there are no more clubs now until the New Year.

### **OPEN MORNING**

We are holding another 'Open Morning' for September 2019 Reception admissions on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 from 9.15am.** Please spread the word!

The 'Open Morning' is also open to in-year admissions throughout the year groups. Just come along. Everyone welcome!

### **SWIMMING**

Year 4 swimming will start in January. The first session being on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

### **LETTERS TO SANTA**

Letters to Santa, can be posted in the Christmas post box, which Santa left in the school office.

### **START OF SCHOOL**

Please make sure your child arrives to school by 8.50am promptly each day. School starts at 8.55am followed by registration. Any child arriving after this time will be marked in late.

### **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Please note that if you wish your child to attend breakfast club you will need to use Parent Pay to register your child with payment. We can add them to Parent Pay on your behalf but require notification by 3.30pm the night before unless it is an emergency. Thank you for your attention and support. If you have any problems please contact the school office.

### **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

Please note that there will be some work done around The Strand and Church Street in Quainton to replace a section of water pipes. This will be from Monday to Friday 7.30am to 5pm. Saturday 8am to 2pm (if required). The work at The Strand will begin on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November for approximately 6 weeks. The work on Church Street will begin on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019 for approximately 4 weeks.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### AUTUMN TERM 2018

17 <sup>th</sup> December	Senior Citizens Xmas Tea Party	2pm
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Church Service (all welcome to attend)	2pm (finish for Christmas holidays)
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas holidays begin	
<b>2019</b>		
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019</b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>	<b>School closed for pupils</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> January 2019</b>	<b>School Resumes Happy New Year and welcome back to Quinton School</b>	<b>8.55am</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> January	History Off The Page (Year 3)	All day
8 <sup>th</sup> January	Ashmolean Museum Year 4	All day
<b>8<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Open Morning</b>	<b>9am</b>
11 <sup>th</sup> January	Swimming – Year 4	
17 <sup>th</sup> January	Hot Dog Day ( <b>please do not book your child's lunches</b> )	
18 <sup>th</sup> January	Swimming – Year 4	
25 <sup>th</sup> January	Swimming – Year 4	
1 <sup>st</sup> February	Swimming – Year 4	
8 <sup>th</sup> February	Swimming – Year 4	
15 <sup>h</sup> February	Swimming – Year 4	
15 <sup>th</sup> February	Finish for half term	
<b>18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	<b>Half term</b>	<b>School closed for pupils</b>
<b>25<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>School Resumes</b>	<b>8.55am</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> March	Swimming – Year 4	
1 <sup>st</sup> March	Book fair in all week	
5 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening	3.30 – 6.30pm
7 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening	4.30 – 7.30pm
8 <sup>th</sup> March	Swimming – Year 4	
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Swimming – Year 4	
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Swimming – Year 4	
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Mother's Day Assembly KS1	am
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 3 & 4 Performance	TBC
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 3 & 4 Performance	TBC
<b>8<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	<b>Easter Holidays</b>	<b>School closed for pupils</b>
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	<b>Inset Day</b>	
<b>24<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>School Resumes</b>	<b>8.55am</b>
26 <sup>th</sup> April	Swimming – Year 3	
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Swimming – Year 3	
<b>6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>	<b>School closed for pupils</b>
10 <sup>th</sup> May	Swimming – Year 3	

17 <sup>th</sup> May	Swimming – Year 3	
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Swimming – Year 3	
<b>27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>Half Term</b>	<b>School closed for pupils</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>Inset Day</b>	<b>School closed for pupils</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>School Resumes</b>	<b>8.55am</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> June	Swimming – Year 3	
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Swimming – Year 3	
17 <sup>th</sup> June	Father's Day activities	am
21 <sup>st</sup> June	Swimming – Year 3	
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Swimming – Year 3	
1st July	Transition Day	
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Transition Day	
1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Residential – Year 4	
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Swimming – Year 3	
9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Residential Year 6	
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Performance Year 5 & 6	TBC
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Performance Year 5 & 6	TBC
<b>25<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Start of summer holidays</b>	<b>School closed for pupils</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	<b>Inset Days</b>	<b>School closed for pupils</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>School Resumes</b>	<b>8.55am</b>

