

DUCKLINGTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Headteacher's Thoughts

Here we are at the end of the Autumn term and I have once again appreciated the whole school community effort to keep our school safe and well. I would like to thank the children for working well in their classes and adapting to the changes within school, the staff for their continual hard work with additional duties especially during my time of isolation, the governors for their support and to the parents for working so amazingly with us. This has not always been easy with the changes to the guidelines, but we have worked it through together.

Yesterday, was a very busy day with Christmas jumpers, Christmas lunch and the pantomime (thank you FODS). It was great to see the sea of colour within all the festive jumpers and the children smiling around school, which may have had something to do with my hat!

During the last few weeks, it has been wonderful to hear carols ringing out in the hall and I was able to join in with some playing as well from the younger children singing Little Donkey to the Year 6 children singing a version of the Twelve days of Christmas. As promised, you will be receiving a video from the children, which should arrive later this afternoon (if not before), once the editing process has been completed – so do look out for that.

The Christmas Wishing Tree has been filled with the wonderful decorations as they have come into school (photo at the end of this newsletter). FODS have raised £315 from these decorations, so a big thank you to everyone that bought and decorated one.

Finally, I want to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year – please keep yourselves safe and those around you. I look forward to seeing you again on Wednesday 5th January from 8:40am.

Mr. Leigh

Our Christian Value for this half term is:

Forgiveness

We will be thinking about how important it is to forgive people who upset us and how we need to say sorry if we do things to hurt others. We will be learning about how Jesus is a great inspiration to Christians to forgive others. We will also think about God's all-forgiving love.

*“Forgive us our sins, as we also forgive everyone who sins against us.”
Luke 11:4*

Future Diary Dates.

Tuesday 4th January – INSET day

Wednesday 5th January – Spring Term starts



Message from the Governors

The governors would like to say a huge thank you to all staff for the hard work and support they have given during these very difficult and challenging times. Also to the parents and carers for their understanding and support.

We wish you a very happy Christmas and new year. Enjoy a well deserved break.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back in 2022.

Best wishes

Doreen Rose

Chair of Governors.

