



DUCKLINGTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 18th November 2022

Headteacher's Thoughts

Last Friday, Year 3 headed to the cinema to watch *The Croods*. This was part of the Into Film Festival, a free, annual, nationwide celebration of film & education for 5–19-year-olds. A great opportunity to be able to go to the cinema for free. The Year 4 children have the same opportunity next week (22nd Nov), when they will go and watch *The Railway Children*.

We held our Open Day on Tuesday, an opportunity for parents and children that are due to start school in September to come and experience the school in action. It was great to welcome families to the school with our expert guides from Years 5 and 6 providing the detailed tours and sharing their own experiences of being here at Ducklington. Thank you to our guides, I know our visitors found the tours very helpful.

There are many things happening today, firstly with the annual Children in Need appeal, we were all able to come in wearing our own clothes for a donation to the charity – Year 3 and 4 no doubt will give us the final total next week. Secondly, we welcome back Windrush Bike project to deliver Bikeability training to Year 5 as well as a new course for children that wish to learn to ride – the playground is well used today. Also, there were some cricket sessions – what a busy day!

Mr. Leigh

Our Christian Value for this half term is:

Co-operation

We will be thinking this term about the secret of good cooperation and how we can work together.

“Christ is like a single body, which has many parts; it is still one body, even though it is made up of different parts.”

1 Corinthians 12:12

Future Diary Dates.

Tuesday 22nd November – Y4 Cinema Trip
 Thursday 24th November – Y5 STEM Workshop
 Friday 25th November – Bikeability
 Monday 5th December – 5pm & 6pm Governors meetings
 Tuesday 6th December - Nativities and KS2 Carol Service (details to follow)
 Tuesday 13th / Wednesday 14th December – Pantomime visits (please refer to recent letter)
 Thursday 15th December – Christmas Jumpers and Lunch

Achievements Assembly

A big well done to the children mentioned in our achievement assembly this week.

Cygnets:	Charlie Milner
Ducklings	Miles Buckland, Percy Cocklin
Owls:	Blake Fitzpatrick, Gianluca De Gregorio
Mandarins:	James Almgill, Ollie Wathes
Eagles:	Evie Wright, Cami Mccay
Robins:	Amalie Moore
Kingfishers:	Alfie Leach, Max Fitzpatrick
Red Kites:	Florence Elliott, Thomas Moody

Around the School

In Reception, we have been continuing to enjoy sharing books, listening to stories, reading, telling stories and reading words in a variety of places in the classroom.



This week the children in Nursery have had a very colourful week for Children in Need. They have been finding Pudsey bear's lost spots, counting and sorting them. Tracing over their names in different bright colours on a class poster and writing them independently on whiteboards. We finished off the week making mud pies in Forest school





Celebrate Christingle



at
St Bartholomew's Church
on
Sunday 27th November
at
4pm



We look forward to seeing you.

Christmas Crafts – 9 December 2022. **3.30-5.30pm in St Bartholomew's Church**

You are invited to join us in church to enjoy making some decorations for Christmas. Our session will have the theme of 'Angels'. It will include a range of craft activities for everyone to enjoy, music, singing, stories and prayers and, most importantly of course, a tea of sandwiches and cakes!

Please bring your children along and stay with them during the session. Tea and coffee will be available.

We look forward to seeing you there.
Very best wishes from everyone at St Bartholomew's