



'Inspired to be the best that I can be'



Dear Parents and Carers,

The build up to Christmas is such a magical time in school and over the last couple of weeks there has been so much happening. Firstly, our Reception Children got to do their first, very aptly titled performance of 'The Nativity' to their parents. They were so very excited to see their parents and kept their promise to use their very big voices so that their audience could hear every word. They really did shine and their enthusiasm was infectious. It's difficult to believe that they only met as a class for the first time 14 weeks ago!

4AH were also invited to sing some Christmas songs to the residents of the Brambles Care Home last Friday. Whilst it was a little chilly, as the children had to remain outside for obvious safety reasons, it truly warmed everyone's hearts with both the children and the residents joining in with traditional carols and popular Christmas songs. The children were thrilled and felt so special to be invited and so proud that the residents had joined in and so clearly enjoyed their performance.

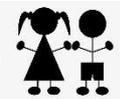
This week we have had Christmas parties, dinners and a pantomime in school, we even had a very special visitor into school on Tuesday. Father Christmas himself put in appearance to find out if we were all still on the 'good list'! Sincere thanks to our PTA for all of their help and for providing a gift for every child in our school.

Coming home via Tapestry on Friday is a little Christmas message from your child's class, which we hope will make you smile!

This week we say goodbye to Jackie Clee after 16 years as our Lead Lunchtime Supervisor and teaching assistant. We thank her for everything that she has done over the years, including the many visits and residentials that she has attended making fun and happy memories with our children. We wish her a very happy retirement (although she may be popping back to help out here and there!)

I think it is fair to say it has been a really difficult half term for us in school and we have just about managed to keep our school open to all classes during this time. None of us have a crystal ball to see what lies ahead in January, but for now we are just wishing you all a safe and healthy Christmas together. For those in our school community for whom this time will be a difficult time through the heartbreak of illness, or losing those that love, our thoughts are very much with you at this time.

On behalf of our Vaynor children, Staff, Governors and PTA we thank you for all of your support this term and wish you a peaceful and relaxing Christmas and a happy and healthy 2022.



Application for Reception places for September 2022

If your child was born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018 you need to apply for a school place by 15th January 2022. This needs to be completed using the online system:

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

If you do not have internet access, please call 01905 822700 for assistance.

The closing date for both first and middle school places is 15th January 2022

Date Reminders

- **Friday 17th December** – School finishes for Christmas
- **Wednesday 5th January** - School re-opens for children



Swimming lessons will for 4AH will commence on 24th January for 8 weeks.



ROCKSLAM RESULTS

The winning classes from each year group are as follows:

4AH
3HH
2CF
1GW
RJD