



Bishop Cornish CEVA Primary School

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Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.

Hebrews 13:2

Dear parents and carers,

The children and their teachers have been busy in school this week rehearsing the Nativity and Christmas Around the World in readiness for filming. You will be very impressed when you watch the videos.

In Collective Worship this week we looked at hope. We discussed how important it is to have hope, as well as thinking about all the things that we hope for in making the world a better place. After sharing the story of the annunciation we talked about how Mary's hopes for the future changed after being visited by the Angel Gabriel.

After School Clubs finish this week. Thank you to parents for supporting us. It has been wonderful to have so many children join us. Thank you also to the teachers for running the clubs. It has been an absolute joy spending time with the children. Cooking club was great fun. The staff were particularly grateful when the children shared their spare cakes and biscuits. We will be in touch shortly with the names of the clubs running next term. There will be some changes as revision for Year 6 starts after Christmas.

I was sent some poems by the children in Year 5 this week. It is my pleasure to share one of them with you.

Our Christmas tree arrived this week. Thank you to Mole Valley Farmers, Liskeard for their kind donation and well done to the children for writing such great persuasive letters.

I very much look forward to joining Year 6 at my first Lantern Parade in Saltash tomorrow evening.

Mrs Fletcher

In a forest,

I am a tree,

A soldier guarding Narnia.

Emerald arms reaching out,

Waves of shimmering snow engulf my body.

Gleaming light escapes from my prickly eye lashes,

Soft, intricate snowflakes dust my arms like icing-sugar.

My aching arms are heavy from carrying the soft
mounds of snow.

A sudden gust of biting wind makes me quietly shiver as
I stand proudly.

I stare out at the glowing head of light,

Its flickering eyes,

Blinking,

Boldly,

Brightly,

Beaming.

COUNTY FOOTBALL FINALS - CHAMPIONS!

Having qualified for the ESFA County Football Finals for the first time, it was a huge achievement just to be at Biscovey Academy last Friday for a Round Robin Tournament for the best 8 schools in Cornwall. Never in my wildest imagination did I even contemplate us winning the County title. However, these boys produced the best games of their lives all afternoon to continually defy the odds and when the points were added up at the end, we were crowned Cornwall Champions!

This is a superb achievement for the boys and the whole school is extremely proud of this unexpected success. We will now go on to represent Cornwall in the South West of England Football Finals, to be held in Bristol in April. Congratulations boys, each and every one of you is magnificent!



IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERM

4th December – Y6 Lantern Parade

7th December – KS1 Nativity (video link to be sent home)

9th December – KS2 Christmas Around the World (video link to be sent home)

14th December – Christingle Service

15th December – Christmas Lunch

17th December – Last day of term

4th January – INSET day

5th January – First day back for children

What's happening next week in class -

Reception Class will be going even more Christmas mad as they write letters to Father Christmas, make Christmas cards and prepare reindeer food.

Year 1 will be getting in the Christmas spirit. They will be recording their play and enjoying dressing up. They will also be writing about the Christmas story, being amazing at subtracting and making their Christmas puppets.

Year 2 will be heading slightly less far back in time to the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, finding out about the Crown Jewels and designing our own. We will even imagine what we would do if we were the King or Queen of England and write a speech to address Parliament.

Year 3 will be performing and filming our final cut. We will also be seeking out more knowledge in our Stone- Age topic.

Year 4 will be uncovering their mummified tomatoes and seeing what has happened...we are all very excited.

Year 5 will be returning statisticians, looking at data and how we interpret it. To tie in with our RE learning of the Christmas Story, we are also going to look at Census data and how it can be used for future planning.

Year 6 will be learning a Xhosa dance to accompany their South African song for our virtual Christmas Around the World performance! We will also be decorating our room for Christmas... *using fractions!*

Achievement Awards this week go to:

Evie in Reception, who has been trying exceptionally hard the past few weeks. She has shown amazing perseverance with her phonics and has been working so hard. She has also been brilliant at joining in with the Christmas play songs. Well done Evie!

Jasper in Year 1, who is a wonderful member of class. He works hard at everything we ask him to do and puts in 100% effort all the time. He is a very popular member of our class and always has a smile to share with others. Thank you for being such a star Jasper!

Harlequin in Year 2 for working really hard on her Fire of London diary entry and always approaching tasks with a smile on her face and a positive attitude. She is a delight to have in the class

Isabelle in Year 3 for her outstanding progress particularly in writing, Maths and Science - she puts in a fantastic effort in every lesson.

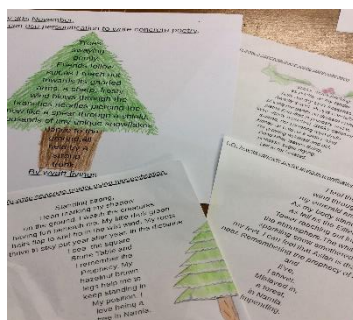
Florence in Year 4, who has worked extremely hard in all of our lessons this week. She has produced an amazing explanation text on 'How to mummify a tomato' and the presentation of this is wonderful. Florence has also been pushing herself in our maths lessons, really striving to solve those tricky problems. Well done Florence.

Harrison in Year 5, who thought carefully about the use of language and how it could be used to create imagery throughout their poetry. Their concrete poetry was full of personification which brought Narnia to life. He was also very clever in using caesura to add interest to the poem's form.

Chloe in Year 6, who has pushed herself hard this week, in more ways than one! She has put a lot of effort into her Maths work achieving really well, as well as volunteering to sing a solo in our Christmas performance! I never knew she has a such a strong and beautiful voice! Well-done Chloe - keep it up! 😊

This week in school and at home

Year 5 have had a busy week preparing our props and preparing for their play which is now successfully filmed – watch this space! They are an amazing bunch of actors and should be really proud of their achievements. They have also been writing beautiful concrete poetry using personification and we are going to put them together in an anthology as they are outstanding.



This week Year 1 have been counting the sleeps until they can make our classroom full of Christmas cheer.

This week Reception class have been decorating the classroom and their Christmas tree. They have shown amazing teamwork making paperchains as a group and learnt about the true meaning of Christmas.



This week the children in Year 2 wrote some amazing diary entries, imagining that they were in London at the time of the Great Fire. It sounded as if they were really there! They also did some super maths, grouping and sharing things from our classroom and understanding 'equal' and 'unequal' they were very good at putting each other into groups too!



This week Year 3 have been treading the boards with rehearsals for Christmas around the world. We have also been looking at column addition and subtraction in maths. Then in English we have read the book Letters to Father Christmas in preparation for writing our own informal letter.

This week, Year 4 have produced some amazing explanation texts on 'How to mummify a tomato' as part of our Ancient Egyptian topic. The level of their writing has been wonderful and they particularly enjoyed producing a best copy in our Christmassy, sparkly classroom today. They have been busy finding out about King Tutankhamun and the efforts of Howard Carter and his team for finding this tomb.



This week, Year 6 have been writing up a discussion piece while thinking how to use formal cohesive devices and relative clauses to enhance and 'up-level' their work!... *All sounds terribly posh!* They have also been practising and perfecting their fraction work and decorating their lanterns ready for the parade on Saturday night!



COVID UPDATE from Cornwall Council

Where a schoolchild is a close contact of a PCR positive case, they should undertake a PCR test arranged through the usual NHS system. We would ask that while they wait for their result they test daily with LFT and continue doing so for seven days if their PCR result is negative. This is to capture any late transmission in the household. *Note: this can be applied in secondary and in primary age children, at parent/guardian discretion.

Advent of kindness

ADVENT OF KINDNESS 2021

In this challenging year, here are 25 ideas to bring a little more kindness into the world in the run-up to Christmas

- 1 Start a happiness jar for December and write down one thing each day that has made you happy
- 2 Write a letter or draw a picture for someone who might be feeling lonely
- 3 Put on some gloves, grab a carrier bag, go for a walk and pick up as much litter as you can
- 4 Do a Christmas quiz with your friends
- 5 Find five minutes to help someone out today
- 6 At the end of the day write down three positive things that have happened
- 7 Make a playlist of your favourite Christmas songs and share it with your friends
- 8 Set up an obstacle course and see how quickly you can do it
- 9 Learn three new facts and share them with your friends
- 10 Give some love to your postie and bin collection team and draw thank you posters to put up
- 11 Take time to think about what you have done this year that you are really proud of
- 12 Write a Christmas card to someone you wouldn't usually send one to
- 13 Try making a giant Santa on the floor with household items (remember to clear up after)
- 14 Make some Christmas tree decorations
- 15 Make a small gift and give it to someone who won't be expecting it
- 16 Try a blindfold taste test of various Christmas foods - really concentrate on the flavours and textures
- 17 Talk about your family Christmas traditions with your friends and see if anyone else does the same
- 18 Put on your favourite song and dance like no one is watching
- 19 Design and make a board game you can play with your friends and family
- 20 Pay someone a compliment
- 21 Take some quiet time out to do some colouring in
- 22 Spend five minutes doing some stretches today
- 23 Have a video call with someone you aren't able to see as much at the moment
- 24 Perform three acts of kindness during the day
- 25 Even if remotely this year, enjoy giving, enjoy receiving - happy Christmas!

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