

# NEWSLETTER











#### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

It has really felt like winter this week, with the cold wind, frost, later sunrises and earlier sunsets. Luckily, this doesn't stop Pre-Prep taking the learning outside, we just need to remember coats, hats, scarfs, gloves, all named please!

The children and staff thoroughly enjoyed the Danceathon last week for Children in Need, raising an incredible £1,591. A huge thankyou from everyone for your generosity for such an amazing cause. We are so proud of all the children and staff, who just kept on dancing!

Assembly this week has involved us finding out what makes us happy and how to fill everyone with happiness by being kind, thoughtful, caring and respectful. We asked the children what makes them happy? Families, pets, parties, hobbies, jokes, hugs, friends and presents, to name a few. Christmas was mentioned a few times too . . .

We enjoyed opening a present from last year's Year 2 parents, who gave Pre-Prep an outdoor motion sensing camera. We will put it in different areas of the School to see what happens when we are tucked up in our beds at home. I wonder what action the camera will record? Watch this space!

The children are already getting into the Christmas spirit, by singing, learning about advent, creating and completing festive activities and decorating the school. This year, we will be sending home a wooden peg for your child to turn into a decoration to be pegged onto our Christmas tree. We can't wait to see your Christmas creations . . .

Mike Jory

#### PRE-PREP DANCEATHON

The Pre-Prep strictly-inspired Danceathon raised an amazing £1,591 for Children In Need. Well done to everyone involved and thank you for all of your donations. Watch the highlights from the day here.



#### **KEY DATES**

Monday 6 December - 2pm Pre-Prep Crib Service in St John's Church, Glastonbury

Wednesday 8 December – 10:30am Thursday 9 December – 10am Pre-school and Reception Nativity

Wednesday 8 December – 9am Thursday 9 December – 2pm Year 1 and Year 2 Production

Wednesday 8 December Christmas Lunch

Friday 10 December Christmas parties End of term. School finishes at 12pm.

**Tuesday 4th January** – INSET day School closed for pupils

Wednesday 5th January – Spring Term

# **FOREST SCHOOL**

This week the Frogs and Tadpoles had a really exciting trip to forest school. Not only was there lots of playing and exploring, but we also started making our first Christmas crafts. Our great day was topped off with cooking popcorn over the fire with yummy hot chocolate!









## **FOREST SCHOOL**

Year 1 had a lovely time in forest school this week. The children absolutely loved the crunchy carpet of beautiful leaves on the ground. We used some of our maths skills and knowledge of length to collect sticks of varying sizes in preparation for some Christmas crafts next week!



YEAR 2

### **OPEN AFTERNOON**

Year 2 invited their parents into our classrooms and showed them all the wonderful things we have been up to so far this term. The children collected their parents from the front entrance and followed their own tour they had written around Pre Prep, making sure to stop off and get their parents a hot drink and a biscuit on the way. It was wonderful to see the children proudly showing their families around their space and thank you to all the parents for taking the time to come in. A lovely celebratory event which we hope to have many more of!





# MINIS NEWS



### **NURSERY RHYME WEEK**

The Minis had heaps of fun celebrating national Nursery Rhyme Week. They made pots of tea in their little teapots, helped Miss Polly's dolly who was sick, sick, sick, and enjoyed building Humpty Dumpty's wall. They used handprints to make flower pictures, just like in Mary, Mary Quite Contrary's garden and even organised shells and flowers in their little shop. All of the Minis enjoyed getting messy with our Old MacDonald's farm, as well as rowing our boat gently down the stream. What a busy session exploring nursery rhymes!









