

EYFS Newsletter

8th December 2022

In EYFS we have been learning about Festivals and Celebrations, with a particular focus on Christmas.

The children enjoyed decorating their classrooms with their teachers and friends. They have been exploring a variety of Christmas activities such as wrapping presents, writing Christmas cards and letters to Santa, dressing up as angels, elves or wise men and painting Christmas pictures.

The children listened to a selection of Christmas stories and learned about how different cultures celebrate Christmas.

Both Nursery and Reception children worked very hard on their Christmas performance, learning all the songs, actions and lines. They were all superstars and have done a brilliant job. We hope you enjoyed the Christmas productions as much as we did.

Today we had our Christmas jumper day and lunch. The children had an amazing day and all enjoyed their special dinner.

EYFS were treated to a SPECIAL JAMMIE DODGER ASSEMBLY this week! They have worked so hard this term, learned so much and of course shone in their Christmas performances!

As you know, we use this biscuit as a symbol of our learning and the heart represents CPS Values. All of the children were given a jammie dodger and we celebrated all of our learning across the curriculum. We thought about our growth mindset and resilience, what we have learned and what we are proud of and even what we aim to set our sights on achieving next. As we did this, we ate the biscuit, leaving the jammie heart. We all then held the heart and reflected on each of our 'SCARRF' values and again what we are proud of, our strengths and what we would like to be even better at ...then we ate the heart. These assemblies are so special and reinforce the school's ethos, values and our rules (which are also based on our values). Well done to all of the children across CPS!



























































MEET THE TEAM:

Miss Manjola

My name is Manjola Gorica. When I worked in Italy, I loved my role as an Italian teacher. Since moving to the UK, I have continued my passion for helping children to learn, working in both nursery and reception classes. After having my son, I made the decision to return to work in an EYFS setting and joined an agency. I joined the Acorns team on 5th September and I have really enjoyed working here as the children and the team are lovely. I am so pleased to have found such a welcoming school. We are having a wonderful time together.



NOTICES:

Shopping day – If you would like a day to finish off your Christmas shopping we do have some availability in the Nursery next week. Please contact the school office if you would like to book your child in for some extra time.

Last day of term – On 16th December, from Reception to Year 6, the school will be closing at 1.30pm. Nursery will be open until 5pm as usual. Please let the Nursery team know in advance what time you are collecting your child.

Illness – Whilst we encourage good attendance, we ask you not to send your child into school if they are unwell. Please email or phone the school office and leave a message on the absence line. As part of our safeguarding procedures a member of the office team is expected to follow up any absence unaccounted for.

Snack – We offer a rolling snack cafe to Nursery and Reception children. This consists of fruit and water. Please do not send any additional snack in.

Milk – Children under 5 will be offered milk throughout the day. When your child turns 5 you can opt in to the milk scheme. Please contact the school office.

Parent communication – Please remember if you have any questions or concerns you should first contact your child's class teacher followed by the EYFS leader. We are happy to discuss any questions that may arise regarding your child's learning.





Whole school newsletter – Please do read the whole school newsletter as well as this one as it contains lots of intersting and useful information.

We thank you, as always, for your continuing support. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

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