



ST. NICHOLAS C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL



Autumn Newsletter 8 – Friday 5th November 2021

When the Elves wrapped up the school.

This week the whole school have been focused on a writing task. When the children returned to school on Tuesday different parts of the school were wrapped up with Christmas wrapping paper and there was evidence that elves had been in the school. These were the sorts of questions we asked the children:

- Why did the elves come to school?
- Why did they wrap up tables, boards, pen pots? What was their plan?
- Why did they do this so early, it's not even December!
- Are they still here, watching us to make sure we are on the nice list?
- What does Father Christmas think of all this?
- How did they get in? How did they get out again?
- Have they left a present for us?

The children then wrote a recount 'The day the elves came to school'; hopefully they will have shared their ideas with you!

As well as a writing task the children have also made their own wrapping paper. They cut out patterns on half a potato and used paint to print on paper. Some children chose to do a repeating pattern, others were able to make patterns using different colours. They then used this paper to wrap a box which has a special surprise in. This is not to be opened until Christmas!

As this week was very much an Elf themed week, PE also took on the same theme. From Yoga dance freeze to Elves on the Run and Emergencies where they had to save the presents from the Grinch, the children had great fun during PE lessons. They had to follow clear instructions, work as a team and respond quickly to the game. It all sounded like a lot of fun but there were many PE skills hidden in this great activity.

During the week the children had to design and build an elf house. They used spaghetti and marshmallows to construct a building that would house the elf, they had to think about the structure and how many strands of spaghetti they would need to ensure the building remained standing.

We have seen how the children get engrossed in these special weeks, from the start of the week until the end, they engage with all the activities. Look out for our next themed week after the Christmas holidays...who knows what it will be?



As you are aware we have had many positive cases of Covid-19 within the school community. You will have received a letter asking that primary age children are tested using a Lateral Flow Test twice a week. Thank you for your support with this. If this Lateral Flow Test is positive or your child has Covid symptoms, please do seek a PCR test and share the result with the school using office.stnicholas@dcvst.org. If your child is required to isolate we are able support their learning if they are well enough to complete it. Many thanks for your support with this.

Reminder: If you wish to contact the school via e-mail, please use the following e-mail address: office.stnicholas@dcvst.org.

Please note, if you receive an e-mail from StNicholasCofEPrimary@pupilasset.co.uk, please do not try to reply to this e-mail address. Although your e-mail seems to send, it does not actually come through to the school. Please reply using the office.stnicholas@dcvst.org

It really has been lovely to see the children engaging so well with this special week and we are looking forward to seeing this engagement as we move through the rest of the term.

Awards

Golden Children


Acorn -	Core Value: Murphy. Attitude To Learning: Scarlett O. Maths: Rowan. English: Macy
Pine –	Core Value: Roman Attitude To Learning: Sophia F. Maths: Amelia. English: Thomas T.
Chestnut -	Core Value: Louie. Attitude To Learning: Billy. Maths: Henry B English: Dolly.
Birch -	Core Value: Nathan. Attitude To Learning: Kyran. Maths: Abigail. English: Caleb
Oak -	Core Value: Matthew. Attitude To Learning: Oliver C. Maths: Leyla English: Megan.

PTA

Upcoming Events:

Christmas Market – 2nd December from 3:30pm

Santa and His Sleigh Visit Tillingham – 12th December 2021

Key Dates	Attendance
<p>School Remembrance Service outside the church (<i>details to follow next week</i>) - 11th November 2021</p> <p>Church Remembrance Service (<i>details to follow next week</i>) - 14th November 2021</p> <p>Reception 2022 Intake Open Afternoon - 16th November and 23rd November 2021</p> <p>Children In Need Day (<i>details to follow next week</i>) - 19th November 2021</p> <p>Christmas Technology Day - 26th November 2021</p> <p>INSET Days for 2021 / 2022 24th June 2021 27th June 2021</p>	<p>Acorn – 86.92%</p> <p>Pine – 96.94%</p> <p>Chestnut – 88.89%</p> <p>Birch – 96.8%</p> <p>Oak – 93.33%</p> <p>Whole School – 92.89%</p>
 <p>FRIENDSHIP ☆ RESPECT ☆ LOVE ☆ FORGIVENESS ☆ COURAGE</p>	