

Friday 13th December 2019

## Message from the Headteacher

### The Nativity Concert

Our infant children sang so well this week in their concert. They were all bubbling with confidence and enjoyed performing for their parents. Their costumes were lovely and we all enjoyed sharing the performances with you. Thank you for joining us for the concerts this week.

### Art competition

We had some wonderful entries for the art competition and Miss Pal will be giving out certificates and small prizes next week. Thank you everyone who entered the Christmas Tree competition, there were nearly 300 entries! Every entry has received a certificate, and as the standard of entries was so high it was very hard to pick winners. Thank you to all who took part.

Reception: **1st place** Cinzia in Yew and Yahya in Birch

**2nd place** Akshit in Yew and Aaryana in Oak

Year 1: **1st place** Damian in Maple and Saanvi in Willow

**2nd place** Owen in Ebony and Klaudia in Beech

Year 2: **1st place** Trisha G in Sycamore and Neel in Pine

**2nd place** Medeina in Pine, Vrinda and Aanya in Sycamore

**Special mention to Sycamore and Willow class for so many incredible entries!**

Year 3: **1st place** Tanisha in Topaz

**2nd place** Lynne in Topaz

Year 4: **1st place** Haiqa in Obsidian

**2nd place** Rohan in Obsidian

Year 5: **1st place** Rukaya in Emerald

**2nd place** Roha in Emerald



## Key Dates

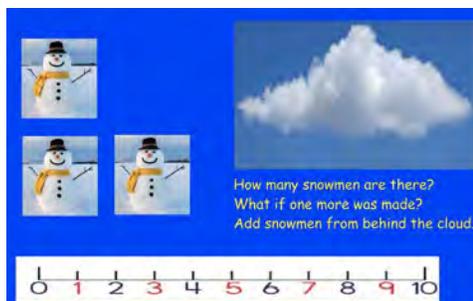
| Date     | Event   |
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| 16.12.19 | Class Parties in the afternoon across the school. .   |
| 17.12.19 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas Lunch</li> <li>• Reception Christmas Nativity for Birch &amp; Elm Parents</li> <li>• SnowBall Juniors 5pm to 6:30pm</li> </ul>               |
| 18.12.19 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas Choir trip to St. Paul's</li> <li>• Sky Skills Trip - Coral Class</li> <li>• Reception Christmas Nativity for Oak and Yew Parents</li> </ul> |
| 19.12.19 | Last day of term. Juniors 1pm and Infants 1:15pm  |
| 06.01.20 | First day of the new term.  |
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## Early Years

### Reception

In phonics sessions our children have been learning about the sounds ch, sh, th and ng. They now know that two letters (graphemes) can be put together to make one sound (phoneme).

In Maths we have been counting snowmen and working out how many there will be if we build one more or one less/fewer.



Finally, as part of our outdoor learning we have been making Christmas trees using loose materials, we have turned our Adobe into Santa's workshop where we have been busy

pretending to be elves and Santa, writing list of presents and decorating the trees. We have also been singing and dancing to Christmas songs on our stage!



## Key Stage 1



Year 1 and year 2 did brilliantly this week performing the Christmas concert! We really hope you enjoyed it!



Well done to Samaira in Aspen who successfully won a £10 book token

from Kier (building contractors) for describing how to stay safe on a building site. She successfully named all the correct pieces of clothing that should be worn on a building site. (helmet, gloves, high visibility jacket and boots) Every child will be receiving a free light reflector today from school courtesy of Kier, to promote be safe be seen!

Kier also have announced another competition: Can you create a poster to explain how to stay safe at home or at school? There will be a prize for the best poster. Please give your entries to your class teacher by Friday 10th January 2020.

Remember to enter the December reading challenge, to describe a winter setting.

## Year 1



This week year 1 have been performing their Christmas concert to parents. The children were very excited and did very well! Thank you for coming to see the show and supporting the children.

In maths, children have been learning about place value by ordering numbers and worked hard to problem solve.

Year 1 also designed a poster for the Lonely Beast describing his qualities to help him find some friends. Children were keen to use a range of adjectives to describe the Beast.



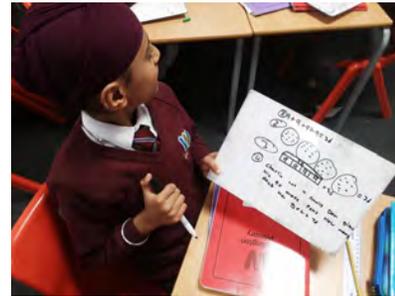
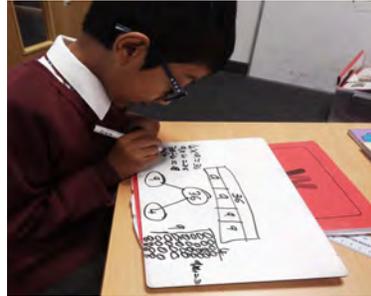
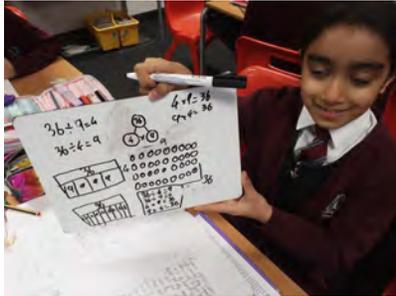
Next term, year 1 will be learning about seasons and we look forward to the projects in the new year!







master them all. We have been developing our reasoning and problem solving skills too, in particular using models, images and white hat thinking to demonstrate how much we know.



## Times Table Rockstar Tournament



Well done to Amber Class for Winning the Tournament this week. A fantastic achievement for all children logging in this week. We look forward to our next Tournament next week. Remember to log in everyday and play for 5 minutes, perhaps invite a friend to join you in a friendly battle.

We also worked on designing our money bags then, after practising our stitching, we used felt and our newly improved sewing skills to make our felt money bags as the Anglo saxons would have had.



## Year 5

We have had an exciting week. In English lessons, we have been studying the classic narrative poem, The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes. We have looked at the challenging figurative

language from the poem, and how this creates atmosphere and emotion. We had to infer the characters thoughts and emotions from looking at the vocabulary - and research some of the old English phrases. To help us, we got into role and did freeze frames of different parts of the poem.



This week was DT week for Year 5. We made Christmas cookies. Although the design stage was quite easy, the making - although very enjoyable - was quite tricky. Decorating them was also quite a messy experience - however, it was a tasty one!

### The European Day Writing Competition winner

The winner was Veer in Year 5, who set his story in the european country of Spain. He received a book token and certificate in assembly this morning. Well done Veer!. A great story.

The KS2 children have been learning about democracy this week and voted in their own election. They had to choose from four candidates and voted in the same way as the adults did



this week.

# Wellington Weekly



## Year 6

Year 6 have enjoyed another busy week! In English, we have been learning about the features of newspaper articles and have been writing articles based on the film *The Grinch*. We are continuing to learn about Fractions in Maths and we have been applying all of our previous learning to solve problems combining the four operations. In Topic this week, Year 6 created fantastic Maya masks using a range of materials, colours and patterns. Ruby class had lots of fun on their trip to Sky Studios. They enjoyed dressing up, writing their own scripts, recording and editing their own news report about social media using the latest technology.

