

### Wraxall's School News







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Wraxall is well and truly in the Christmas Spirit with the sound of beautiful carols being sung around the school and in the community, Christmas Nativity performances, the Christingle service today and preparations for our child-led Christmas fayre (next Wednesday) with the children raising funds for the school. If the children have any soft toys or books that they don't want can they bring them into school on Tuesday ready for the fayre next week.

A HUGE thank you to all the staff for their hard work in making these lovely events happen and to all our families who give up their time to attend them.

The Nativity performance of 'It's a Baby' on Tuesday was amazing and has had great reviews. I am sure that the KS2 Carol Service will be just as wonderful too.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank All Saints' Church for their ongoing support this term. The Christingle Service today was lovely and their Collective Worship in school each fortnight has been a real treat for the children. Thank you. See you next week for our final Festive week.

Have a lovely weekend,

Amy Townsend

**Dates for December 2022** 

Wednesday 14th December -

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December -Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 -Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023 -

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023 -

Christmas Dinner - Whole School and Christmas Jumpers and Hats can be worn.

**Child-led Christmas Fayre** 

KS2 Carols by Candlelight Service - 5.30pm @ All Saints' Church Last day of Term 2 - Non – Uniform Day and Party Food Lunch INSET day

Term 3 begins - School open to all pupils

**Tobogganing Trip - Whole School** 



### Star of the Week

Reception - Oliver Year 1 & 2 - Jacob L Year 3 & 4 - Arthur Year 5/6 - Thomas L

**Headteacher's Award** 

Michael



### Go for a winter walk





### **Tobogganing Trip**

We are really pleased that the whole school will be treated to a tobogganing trip to Mendip Activity Centre on the 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023. The children really enjoyed this activity in 2021 and we are pleased to be able to offer this to our children again. There is no charge for this trip, but we do require your permission for your child to take part.

Permission forms and a medical declaration form has been sent home with the children for your completion and return to the school office, along with a list of clothing to be worn on the day.

Please complete and return your forms by Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup> December.



### Year 5 & 6 Carol Singing

On Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup> December, our Year 5 & 6's went across to the Cross Tree Centre, where they sang some lovely Christmas Carols to some local ladies and gentlemen. Miss Hutchings and Mrs Sheppard joined in with the festive carols as well!!

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the performance and it was much appreciated by the ladies and gentlemen.

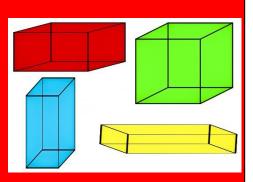


# What have we been learning in class this fortnight?

### Maple Class have been...

Performing the Nativity, 'It's a Baby', which everyone thoroughly enjoyed. We have made Christmas Cards for our families and we then walked to the post box by the church to post them.





### Willow Class have been...

Performing the Nativity, 'It's a Baby', which was fun. We have made our Christingle Candles and we have also been learning about 3D shapes and their forms.

### Pine Class have been...

Exploring the Caves of Cheddar Gorge and we have also been learning about shadows and how shadows form. We are making shadow puppets to put on a puppet show.





### Oak Class have been...

Singing Carols to the 'Wraxall Time for Tea' members at The Cross Tree Centre. We have been learning about the layers of a Rain Forest and in Maths we have been learning Fractions.

### **NATIVITY SHOW**

On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December, KS 1 children held their Nativity Performance of 'It's a Baby' at All Saints, Wraxall. Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents and other family members who came along to watch the festive performance, it felt very Christmassy and there were lovely comments from the audience about how much they enjoyed the show. The children loved it and it was great to see them all dressed up and putting on a fantastic performance. A big thank you to Miss Massey, Mrs Gritten, Mrs Langley and Mrs Watts for all the hard work put into the show and making sure the children enjoyed themselves, whilst putting on a sterling performance. It was lovely to see so many faces supporting the children and the school.

## Child-led Christmas Fayre

On Wednesday we have our annual Children's Christmas Fayre. Children can bring their money in a named envelope or purse on the day.

Well done to our Oak class children who have organised and planned some great stalls for the children.

### Carol Singing Fundraisers

Well done to Saoirse,
Alys, Ryan and Daniel for
their hard work last
weekend. They put on a
carol singing performance
to raise funds for the
school. Excellent!

A HUGE thank you!

### **Festive Fun Run**

Well done to everyone who took part in the Festive Fun Run, everyone did brilliantly. Thank you again to Michael (Oak class) for organising the event. You all raised the fantastic sum of £717.70.

Thank you.



### **Changes to**

### **School Menu**

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December –
Christmas Dinner for the whole school. Christmas jumpers/tops can be worn on the day.

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Party Food - order on the Select website as normal. Christmas party clothing/non-school uniform can be worn, but should be suitable for the weather.

### **CHEDDAR GORGE TRIP**

On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December, Year 3 & 4 travelled to Cheddar Gorge to visit the caves as part of their wider curriculum. Here are some comments from the children:\_

"I really liked both caves and it was really interesting learning about pre-historic Britain and how people lived. It was cool!" - Naomi

"I really liked Cox's Cave because it was a bit scary and I like scary things" - Arthur

"I liked the caves because there were some amazing paintings on the walls and there were stalagmites and stalactites which were really cool" - Tommy

"The caves were amazing, really interesting. I really liked the drawings on the walls." - Tom P

### **SAFEGUARDING & E- SAFETY**

### "Everyone is responsible for safeguarding"

Wraxall Cofe Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare or our pupils. If you are a parent, child, volunteer or member of staff you should share any concern you may have about a child or an adult with either our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Amy Townsend or the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead, Vicki Sheppard or the Safeguarding Governor, Hazel Mallett. If this is not possible or appropriate and you need to report a concern yourself the numbers below are the main contacts: If your concern is regarding the Headteacher you should contact Gary Lewis, CEO for Lighthouse Schools Partnership

Anyone can refer a safeguarding issue via the NSSCB website (North Somerset Safeguarding Children Board).

North Somerset Social Care 01275 888 808

Local Area Designated Officer (LADO) 01275 888211 (weekdays 8.45am-5pm or 4.30pm on Friday)

Emergency Duty Team 01454 615165 (outside office hours)

If you would like more information then please check out the school website for the LSP Safeguarding Policy and a Wraxall School Policy Summary.

### **CHURCH NEWS**

#### **Wraxall With Failand Christmas Services**

Carols By Candlelight at St Bartholomew's - Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm (Evening with mulled wine and mince pies, lovely if you can get a babysitter)

Carols at All Saints, Wraxall - Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm.

Crib Service at All Saints - Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December at 4pm - come dressed in fancy dress/nativity costumes - Interactive Nativity Workshop Trail for all the family.

Christmas Day Service at All Saints, Wraxall - Christmas Day at 10am

### CTINAD Noah's Ark Zoo Farm Nativity - Saturday 17th December at 2pm

Christians Together in Nailsea and District are hosting a nativity performance at Noah's Ark in the Ark Arena. Children can come dressed in Nativity Costume and over 70's can enter for free. Open 10.30am – 4pm. For more details: 01275 852606 or go to <a href="https://www.noahsarkzoofarm.co.uk">www.noahsarkzoofarm.co.uk</a>.

CTINAD have announced that they have some free tickets available for the Nativity. It would be lovely if those who might otherwise not be able to afford to go could obtain a ticket, anyone who you may know is under financial pressure and who would like a ticket or two, please email Dave Kelly directly. On daveandbev@blueyonder.co.uk

#### Follow the Star, Trendlewood Church

21st December 4pm – 5.30pm at Golden Valley School.

Please come and enjoy a time to meet 'The Star' at the centre of the occasion. Star Gazing, roasting marshmallows, making stars, refreshments and a few more activities aimed at families. We would love to see you. Free event, you can come and go at any time.

Next First Monday Monthly Coffee Morning - Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January (second Monday).