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Together we believe, learn, achieve and succeed.
Courageous – Creative – Friendly – Persevering – Responsible – Truthful

Friday 7th December – Autumn Term Issue 13

On Monday, the Holy Council prepared the school altar for Advent. With the purple cloth dressing the table and the first candle lit, the children thought carefully about the true meaning of advent and how Christians celebrate at this special time of year. Thank you to all the church team who continue to support the school in so many ways.

During collective worship on Tuesday, a group of children shared their talents by playing their piano pieces. Thank you to Louise Baulch, our piano teacher, for all her hard work this term; the children played beautifully. Well done to all the learners for their commitment to their lessons – I am so proud of you! Mrs Baulch is looking forward to planning a concert later in the year to showcase the children's learning to family and friends.

At the end of this Autumn Term, Miss Burrows will be leaving us to focus on her degree studies. Mr Hopegood will be your child's class teacher for the remainder of their time in this class and Miss Scotchford will also continue in her current role with the class. Mr Hopegood has been working, and will continue to work, with Miss Burrows and the children over the coming weeks so that a smooth handover can take place. I am sure that you will join me in thanking Miss Burrows for her hard work during her time at D'Arcy and in wishing her the very best for her future.

Classes 1 & 2 have been busy rehearsing for their nativity – 'Whoops a Daisy Angel'. Thank you to Mrs Whybrow and Mr Salmon for all their hard work during this exciting time. I look forward to the productions on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th December (dress rehearsal on 11th). There will be a collection on the door to raise funds for new ICT equipment in the hall. Thank you in advance for your support.

Well done to Class 4 for their enterprise initiative on Wednesday. They raised over £70 profit to spend on a fun activity.

The PTFA have arranged for Santa to visit school on Friday 14th December. Please see attached leaflet. He will be at school from 2 pm, siblings welcome after 3pm. £2.50 per child.

Come along to The Queen's Head on Thursday 20th December, 6pm, to sing carols with St Nicholas Church and D'Arcy School. Refreshments will be available including mulled wine and mince pies.

Can we please remind everyone that if your child has sickness or diarrhoea, they should not be brought into school until 48 hrs after the last occurrence. Please see website for further details. We appreciate your co-operation with this.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend. Peace be with you.

L. Eastbrook
Headteacher

Upcoming Christmas Events Friday 14th

Christmas Jumper Day



Christmas Lunch



PTFA Colouring Stocking Competition



*Class 1: Charlotte
Beau*

*Class 2: Adam
Sienna*

*Class 3: Jasmine
Lillie-Grace*

*Class 4: Lillian
Alicia*



Attendance

Class 1 98%

Class 2 99%

Class 3 96%

Class 4 90%

Whole School 96%

*Whole School Academic Year: 96 %
(Target 97%)*

House points

This week's winners are:



D'Arcy

Diary dates

- 12th December 2:30 – Classes 1+2 Nativity
- 13th December 3:30 – Classes 1+2 Nativity
- 14th December – Christmas Jumper and Lunch
- 18th December at 2 pm – Church Christingle Service
- 19th December at 2pm – Panto in the School Hall
- 3rd January – First Day of Term
- 7th January 9-9:30 am Y5/6 Maths workshop
- 8th January 9-9:30 am Y3/4 Maths workshop
- 9th January 9-9:30 am Y1/2 Maths workshop
- 10th January 9-9:30 am EYFS Maths workshop

Inset Days

15th February 2019

3rd June 2019

5th July 2019

Dear God

Thank you for all the joy that we have in our lives. Help us during this Advent season to be peacemakers and bring joy to others.

Amen

Christian Value: Friendly

