



Cranleigh C of E Primary School

Newsletter 8

18th December 2020

A quick note from us

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Thank you to everyone for working so hard this term. Whilst we were unable to put on a live nativity performance we have produced a whole school Christmas celebration that you can enjoy watching on the school website.

Thank you for all the kind gifts and well wishes we have received as we go into the Christmas break. I hope everyone has a safe and peaceful time at home and I look forward to seeing you all on January 4th.

Mrs Gillian Leadbetter-Simms
Headteacher

Christmas Decorations

Last week, every year was given a Christmas decoration project for them to complete.

Year 6 were given plastic baubles to paint images or patterns on. Year 6 had to paint the detail first which required lots of concentration and focus. We were really pleased with the results.

Year 5 had a log circle and on one side they painted a symmetrical six-sided snowflake and on the other side a Christmas design with only two colours.

Year 4 made pine cone snowmen with pipe cleaner arms and felt scarfs. They painted the pinecones white and made earmuffs.

Year 3 were given more pinecones but made them into angels.

Year 2 had more pinecones, this time they painted and decorated them.

Year 1 made some Christmas trees out of sticks. Covered them in green wool and put some stickers on.

Reception were given wooden snowflakes and coloured them in.



The Friends

Merry Christmas! As this strange and challenging year comes to an end, we want to wish everyone happy holidays and a safe, healthy and happy 2021.

We would also like to say an enormous and heartfelt thank you to every member of staff. Not only has the school stayed open and the children been kept safe, but they have provided as close to a normal school experience as possible during very difficult circumstances. Thank you! We hope they all enjoy a very well deserved rest over the holidays.



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Year 6

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the newsletter team!

Festivity is in the air, but unfortunately for us, the editors and other positions in this team, it is our last newsletter for this term. Don't worry though, you may still see some of us next time, but we can't wait to see what the future holds for the next leaders. This term has been a blast, learning and writing this amazing report.

This is the end of our turn, we hope you enjoyed our content. We may have been the first to do it, but it has been so much fun! We love this community of kind people forever more, so before we leave we would like to say something...MERRY CHRISTMAS! We really hope you have a lovely holiday and have amazing presents and more! The editors for this term have been Emily, Milly and Jana. We all have enjoyed leading this project so much!

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas is coming and we have had a Christmas Jumper Day. This is where children are allowed to wear a Christmas jumper to school. This is the best way to spread Christmas cheer. We had decorations up and this included our hand made ones which were put on the school Christmas tree. Lunch was different too. Every child in the school who was having hot meals could choose either red or green as usual. However this year the options were different and every child was given a festive box filled with lots of goodies. Our favourite was the Christmas shaped gingerbread biscuit. We hope you all wear your Christmas jumpers with your families over the festive season.



Christian Value

Isaiah 9:6-7: A child is born to us! And he will be our ruler. He will be called "wonderful counsellor," "mighty God," "Eternal father," "Prince of peace." His royal power will continue to grow; his kingdom will always be at peace. He will rule as King David's successor, basing his power on right and justice from now until the end of time. The lord almighty is determined to do all this.

Dear God,
I count the days until Christmas and watch the evening sky.
I want to see the angels as to Bethlehem they fly.
I am watching for the wise men and the royal shining star.
Please may I travel with them? Is the stable very far?
Amen





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Year 6

Over the past few weeks in Year 6, we've been learning about Greek Theatre. We are currently working on creating our own masks. Throughout this process we have thought about design, material and evaluated each step as we have gone along.

In music, we are learning to make an orchestra beat inspired by characters found within Greek Mythology. First we found out what melody, harmony, rhythm, timbre, tempo and dynamics. Then we pick our instruments and made symbols for each of them. Next, we created graphic scores to represent the music we wanted. Finally, we wrote narratives that went side by side with the music, showing the journey our characters went on.



Sport

This week in year 6, it was our final session ever with Sports Stars. We practised our football skills like we did every week. We want to say thank you to both Ben and Josh for all they have taught us throughout our time at Cranleigh C of E Primary.

This week, we were practising our touches in front of goal before shooting. There were different levels which were equally challenging and tested us to the best of our ability. Another station was End Zone.

You had to pass it to the payer in your box while other people put pressure on you. Over the half term we have also been practising cricket. In our class we have played cricket and practised our catching and batting techniques. We have played a massive game of cricket with 4 teams. Still it was challenging.

Last week we did our Santa Dash. It was tough challenging and tricky. All the children tried their best and are receiving their certificate this week. Thank you to Miss Brown for all her organisation of this really fun and festive event.



Reception and Junior Applications for September 2021

This is a reminder that the closing date for Reception and Junior applications for September 2021 entry is **15 January 2021**. Applications should be made online at <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app>. More information can be found at Surrey's website www.surreycc.gov.uk/primaryadmissions



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Year 5 Sports Stars

In Sports Stars this half term, we have been focusing on our football skills. We have worked on passing, teamwork, shooting with the inner part of our foot and even got to be goalies. We got to show off our unique football skills, use our good communication skills and cheer each other on.

Coach Ben and Coach Josh set up different activities focusing on different skills. This week, one of the games was to pass the ball against a bench so it rebounds into a marked zone and then shoot against another bench. Another game was called ‘Tug of War’. In this game, two teams played against each other. Each team stood at opposite sides of the hall. Two deflated balls were placed in the middle. The idea was to kick the footballs against them to move them behind the opposition’s line. This is a game about keeping control and accurate aiming. Other games included shooting after having first got the ball under control using various touches. At the end of the session, we have a discussion about the skills we have been practising and choose the star player from each team and an overall star team.



Year 3

Our display on promoting the issue of plastic pollution created by year 3 is now complete. Here is an image of the children’s hard work. It is important that we all remember to ‘**be fantastic and ban the plastic.**’

In Year 3 we have been ‘Flying High’ with our learning this term. We have had a particular emphasis on reading for pleasure and to encourage this we chose some amazing books to look at in depth and inspire our writing. To the right are the main ones we shared.

The children have really enjoyed these books and it would be lovely if they continue their enthusiasm for reading over Christmas. I can’t wait, in the new year, to hear about any new books they discover.



Term Dates 2020/2021

AUTUMN TERM 2020	
End of Autumn Term	Friday 18 th December
SPRING TERM 2021	
Back to School	Monday 4 th January
INSET DAY	Friday 22 nd January
Closing date for Primary School Applications	Friday 15 th January
Half Term	Monday 15 th February to Friday 19 th February
End of Term	Thursday 1 st April
SUMMER TERM 2021	
Back to School	Monday 19 th April
Half Term	Monday 31 st May to Friday 4 th June
INSET DAY	Monday 21 st June
End of Term	Wednesday 21 st July