

Margaret Coates Centre Newsletter No: 7 Friday 15th December 2017



DIARY DATES

Wednesday 3rd January – Return to school
Friday 5th January – Egg Theatre to see Little Mermaid (Please collect from Egg Theatre)
Friday 12th January – Harvey's birthday party
Thursday 18th January – Trip to "We the Curious" (formerly @Bristol) - Letter to follow at the beginning of next term.

Wow what an amazing couple of weeks! The children surpassed all my expectations and put on a truly wonderful Christmas play. Thanks must go to Yvonne and the rest of the team for the effort that went into making the performance so special. I enjoyed catching up with lots of faces old and new at the Christmas Fayre it was a lovely event and we are really grateful for all your support of this and other FOMCU events. We are all looking forward to the Christmas break and wanted to say a huge thankyou for all the cards and presents from you all. It is wonderful to have such a supportive and generous group of parents.

Thankyou and Goodbye ~ It always sad to say goodbye, even more so when the member of staff leaving is such an important part of the centre and children's lives. We are saying goodbye after many years service to Carol, our dinner lady. She is moving roles within the Palladian Academy Trust and while we have reassured the children that there will still be food in January, it will not be served by our wonderful dinner lady Carol. We wish her the very best for the next step in her life and hope you join us in saying a huge thank you for her hard work.

Tree Planting ~ As you will see from the photos. Children from the Margaret Coates Centre took part in tree planting. The school have planted over 200 saplings as well as a selection of fruit trees in the school grounds. We are looking forward to seeing them grow over the coming years.

Home visits ~ Please let us know if you require any behaviour support or would like to meet to discuss the progress of your child and strategies to support them. Class teachers are able to come and meet with you at home and see your child at home and reinforce any messages to support you at home. Please write in the home school book if you would like a visit.

Reading at home and supporting your child with English ~ Our school follow a programme called Read, Write Inc to help with teaching reading, writing and spelling. A number of parents over the last couple of weeks have asked for a little more information. Please have a look at this website as there is a wealth of information. <http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/parents/> Many thanks for your support with their learning as together we can achieve the very best for them! For interactive online books, have a look at the Oxford Reading tree website <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/> login details are Goldclass123; password:Learn@home

Carol Singing ~ Many thanks to the parents that joined us last week for carol singing at Sainsbury. The children were a credit to the school and performed wonderfully well. We had a lovely time and raised over £150 for FOMCU. The children were also rewarded by a member of the public who was impressed with their singing and bought them a box of miniature heroes chocolates!

Wishing you a very merry Christmas!
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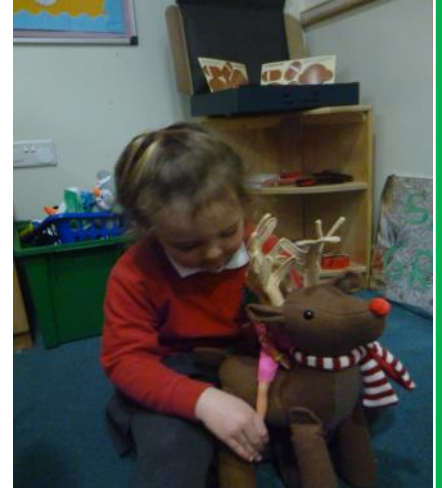
Silver Class – We have had lots of Christmas fun, making Christmas biscuits, creating Christmas decorations and posting our letters to Santa! We enjoyed our Christmas dinner, and some of us liked the brussel sprouts!



Gold Class – We have enjoyed lots of birthday parties this week as well as getting ready for Christmas by making cards and homemade gifts for our family. The Christmas dinner was a highlight on Tuesday, when we enjoyed festive food and music.



Platinum Class – The class this week have been finishing their topic of British Empire with a traditional afternoon cream tea. They baked scones and enjoyed the fruits/scones of their labour.



The children also enjoyed their annual trip to the Lord Mayor's Christmas Party and behaved impeccably as always.

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