



Dear parents/carers,

A very busy week at Chorlton CofE!

The highlight of the week for our Nursery and Reception classes was the nativity for siblings and friends on Tuesday, and then for their special grown-ups on Wednesday. We are all very proud of the effort and enthusiasm of all the children, culminating in the wonderful performances.

In Year 1 this week, the children have been getting really good at using part-part-whole models to represent stories and pictures in maths. In English, they have written letters to superheroes asking them to help with the baddies in the story, using some great adjectives. They have sewn together their felt puppets. In History, they handled some historical evidence - a very, very old doll! Well done Year 1!

Year 2 have started an introduction in multiplication this week, looking at how many groups there are and how many are in each group. They designed their own healthy plate in PSHE - it was very tempting to add a treat in though! They loved their first Christmas Singalong in Year 2 - they are finally getting into the Christmas Spirit!

It has been a very busy week in Year 3! The children wrote character descriptions in English, using everything they have learnt this term about descriptive writing, including similes and emotive language. In maths, they continued to practice their place value knowledge and using greater than and less than symbols. In History, they discussed mummification and what the ancient Egyptians believed about the afterlife.

In our penultimate week before the Christmas break, Year 4 have been busy making and evaluating their own soups in a blind taste test during DT, creating persuasive posters in English using the four sentence types, and producing informative History posters explaining why the Roman Empire was so vast and successful.

Year 5 have been writing their explanations about the Mars Rovers they designed; they have thought about the features they would need and described them using relative clauses and passive voice. They enjoyed their final forest school session, in particular the amazing soup made by Mr Appleby! In history, they looked at some historical items used by the Mayans and made predictions as to what they were used for.

Year 6 have had a fantastic week finishing off all the units for each subject. They worked hard to show how much they have remembered from across the term. The class then enjoyed starting to make the frame for their structures in DT using saws and measuring accurately. The children finished the week with their trip to the Whitworth and the Panto; they represented the school brilliantly for both and had lots of fun too!

Thank you from Mr Solomon to all our wonderful families for taking part in Cut Your Carbon during November! Because of your enthusiasm and small daily changes, our school has achieved some truly fantastic carbon-saving results. Take a look at our impact poster to see just how much difference we've made together!

We are all very excited for Christmas lunch and class parties on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. The children can wear a Christmas jumper and/or headwear if they wish!

On Wednesday evening, it is our Christmas Carol service, which is being held at St Clement's Church. The event will be starting at 6.00pm, everyone is welcome!

A reminder that school will be closing on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00pm.

Have a great weekend

Mr P Trohear

Headteacher

## IMPORTANT DATES

DATE	EVENT
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Y5 & Y6 Edge cinema trip
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception & Y6 height and weight checks
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery & Reception parent open mornings 8.45-9.30am
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Intrahealth flu catch up session
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3 & Y4 Edge cinema trip
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas dinner (children may wear a festive jumper, hat or headband)
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas class parties (children may wear a festive jumper, hat or headband)
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas carol concert – St Clement’s Church 6pm
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for Christmas holidays **2pm**
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET day – School closed
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	School opens for Spring 1
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes for half term

### Office reminders

- Link to the latest news from Manchester Local Offer - <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKMANCHESTER/bulletins/3fe0e43>

### PTA News

Thank you for all your support this term!

We are thrilled with the PTA projects that are happening in school... this week we have been meeting with builders to get quotes for the playground improvement works and the staff room makeover is due to commence shortly.

We have some exciting plans for future fundraisers, and at the carol concert on Wednesday we will be serving mulled wine and festive treats to raise more money towards projects.

We would love to receive donations of mulled wine, mince pies and festive biscuits into the school office next week. There is a leaflet attached with more information.

We hope to have our Christmas jumper stall back out at the start of next week too!

Thank you!