



Sports Update!
It's Official- Phoebe is England's No 1
Following on from last term's newsletter Phoebe in year 6 is now the Under 11 English National Squash Champion! Her toughest match



was in the semi-final on the all glass court but she was calm and determined, even with the pressure and expectation, and won both the semi and the final 3-0. She has worked hard on her fitness through lockdown and trained really well the last few months so she fully deserved such an outstanding result. Well done Phoebe-National Champion!

Hampshire Cricket Sports Stars

Adding to Phoebe's success we have Seb and Charlie who have been selected for the Hampshire RPC SE regional winter squad to be selected for the county squad next summer-well done boys!



DT in Year 6 by Phoebe and Harriett (6P)

Recently in year 6, we have been creating our own miniature theatre stages for the Tempest, by William Shakespeare. To do this, we first had to draw and label a design with the correct measures before building our base structure. Next, we added a ceiling, a floor and a backdrop. We made some props and curtains as finishing touches. Whilst doing this project we all found securing the pillars onto our base particularly hard as it took time and patience to allow the PVA glue to dry. To overcome this issue, we used card triangles to enforce the pillars and give them extra strength.

During making our stage, we were given a variety of different implements to use, most of



which we had never handled before including: saws, set squares, sandpaper and bench hooks. Lots of us have finished our stages and they all look amazing! We have all worked extremely hard to reach our outcomes and really enjoyed the process of creating our stages.



Lego stage design by Jacob (6J)



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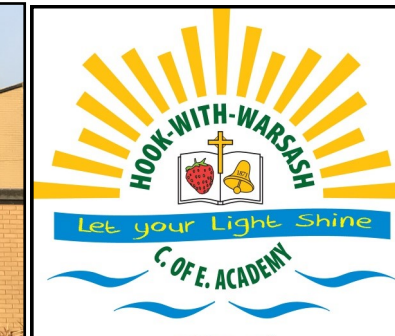
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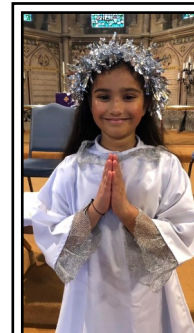
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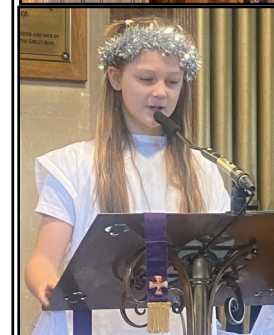
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It was so lovely to have our children back in St Mary's Church for this year's nativity services.

Infant Nativity Niamh and Seth 1EH

We narrated the story for the Infant nativity. We told everyone about Baby Jesus being born and we really loved all the songs that we learnt. Our favourite song was 'Away in a Manger'. We were allowed to wear Christmas jumpers when we were narrators and lots of other children dressed up as characters from the Christmas story including Mary, Joseph and the shepherds.



There were also three Wiseman, angels and animals who were in the stable. Our favourite part was when Jesus was born.

Junior Nativity: Nine Carols and Lessons

by Harry and Victoria (6J)

On the 14th December 2021, all of the Junior children, including years 3, 4, 5 and 6, took part in the school nativity play at the church.

While year 6 performed the nativity story, the rest of the juniors joined in with singing the carols.

The service was called 'Nine Lessons and Carols' as there are 9 sections about the story of Jesus's birth followed by 9 traditional Carols.

In this traditional service the first song is usually 'Once in Royal David's City' and the first verse is sung by a soloist. Harrison H in 6J was chosen to sing the first verse and the second verse was sung by a boy's choir.

"We thought the audience were very supportive and joined in the singing really well. They also gave us a really big round of applause." Harry (6J).

"I really enjoyed being part of the nativity. I normally don't have the courage to stand up in front of loads of people but everyone was really supportive and gave me the courage to do it. I would love to do something like that again." Victoria (6J)



Thank you to everyone who donated to the collection at the end of the services. In total we raised **£410.05** for the Rainbow Trust Children's charity which supports families who have a child age 0-18 with a life threatening of terminal illness.



Learning to ring the bells

Our Collective Worship Council were invited to St Mary’s Church to learn how to ring the church bells. They were able to ring the bells for the beginning of our Remembrance and Christmas services. Thank to Reverend Mike Terry for inviting us to church and teaching us how to ring the bells.



Remembrance Service *By Kyle and Freddi 5P*

The Remembrance service was a time for remembering all those people who have died in wars to help bring peace for us today. We sang lots of songs including ‘Make me a Channel of your Peace’ and ‘Let there Be Peace on Earth’ and they made us feel really thoughtful about the



people who had made such a sacrifice for us. We had 2 minutes of silence to reflect on the people who died in the war trying to save our country. The Remembrance service had lots of singing and it filled our hearts with joy. When we walked out of the church our hearts felt lively. I think the Remembrance service was really good this year.



Creating our very own Chocolate! *by Carter and Elissa (3S)*

For our chocolate topic in year 3 Skye, Eoin and Julian made a Chocolate bar called ‘The Super Titanic Roblox’ bar. At the end of our topic we invented our own special chocolate bars and we were allowed to actually make them-and even better-eat them!

We ate the chocolate, some sweets and watched Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. The chocolate was delicious. All of year 3 loved it! There was



some strawberry pencils, M & Ms , crunchy cookies, marshmallows, sprinkles– it was such an amazing combination!

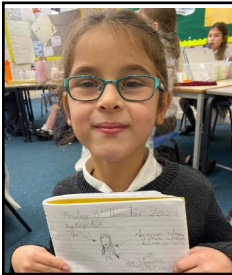


Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who donated to Children in Need. The children wore a fabulous variety of spots, stripes and fluffy ears! We raised a total of **£411.13** for Children in Need

Super Heroes in year 3! *By Elizabeth N (3H)*

A few weeks ago year 3 received an urgent message from the office! It said, “COME TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL AREA NOW!!!” So we rushed to the Environmental Area to see what was going on! There we discovered super hero clothes including a crimson eye mask, black leggings, a red cape and a red shirt. We thought about who on earth these could belong to? Next we received a voice mail from ‘Red Fox’ which said, “I am so sorry for going in your environmental area but a villain was chasing me!” When we got back to class we created our own super hero that could help Red Fox fight off the villain. I created a Super Hero called Blackfire. She was a super villain that had a change of heart and became a super hero! She can teleport to anywhere she likes and disguise herself as a grandpa so she can hide. She can also created a force field to protect and others.



Elizabeth’s Super Hero!



DT-Water Bottle Vehicles *Phoebe and Nathan (2L)*

Year 2 had our Design and Technology day where we made our water bottle vehicles. We were making a vehicle to help Sunny the Meerkat on his long journey. The vehicle needed wheels and axles. We used a saw to cut our axles to the right length. We then put our vehicles together making sure the axles and wheels could spin. We even made doors so sunny could go safely inside the water bottle vehicle. We tested them outside to see how well they worked. It was a really fun day!

Music All Around Us in Year 4 *by Grace and Rory (4S)*

Every Thursday, Year 4 have keyboard lessons with Mrs Mackenzie. In our lessons we learn how to play the keyboard. We started off using the black keys and finding the high and low notes. We played some songs to help us practise this. As we got further, we started using the white keys to help us play. We have lots of fun during these lessons as we’ve learned lots of different songs, how to use lots of different keys and how to change the voice. We’ve learnt where all the letters on the keyboard are. Here’s an example: D is next to two black keys. We also know that if you choose a song and press the start/stop button it’ll play a song!



4E’s trip to Stubbington Study Centre *By Jack and Pippa (4E)*

At the beginning everyone was very excited to find out who was in their dorms-and everyone was very happy. The dorms were named after animals and were



called Owl, Kestrel, Fox and



Lava leap in Earthquake!

Badger. At Stubbington we played a game called EARTHQUAKE and we had to jump over things with safety supplies to help people who had been stuck or injured by an earthquake. To do this well we had to work as a team. In the evening we went to the hide and a few of us got to see some animals! We saw 9 badgers and 6 foxes. We also played a



game called Stubbington Fox in which we had to find clues and answer questions about how foxes live. Whilst we did this we had to hide from the scary farmers so they didn’t shoot us! We had lots of fun. We also made mammal hotels and caught mice and voles. After we had

weighed and named them we set them free. “My favourite bit was hanging out in the dorms with my friends and staying the night together.” *Pippa*. “I loved Earthquake because it was a real challenge!” *Jack*.



Titanic Day! *By Ellen and Florence (5E)*

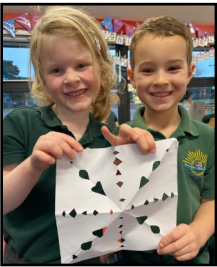
Year 5 had a fantastic day learning about the RMS Titanic.

We dressed up as some of the passengers and crew on board the Titanic including Molly Brown,



Captain Smith, Fredrick Fleet, John Jacob Astor, Millvina Dean, Violet Jessop. Some of us also dressed up as the workers, 1st class passengers, 2nd class passengers and 3rd class passengers.

Molly Brown was a hero on board of the Titanic. Whilst the Titanic was sinking she was on a lifeboat because she was a 1st class passenger. Despite being safe she was determined to send the lifeboats past back to the ship to look for survivors. Millvina Dean was the last of the 705 survivors from the Titanic and was the youngest person on board the Titanic at only 9 weeks old when the ship sank. She died at the age of 96 in 2009. On Titanic day we had lots of fun doing loads of different of activities all linked to the Titanic. We also loved doing a bit of drama during which had to pretend to be a character on board the Titanic. We loved looking at what lots of people had done, it was great! I think this was the best day we have had in school in year 5 so far!



Snow in year 1! *Barkley and Isla (1H)*

We learnt had to make snowflakes to decorate our classrooms ready for Christmas. We started with square pieces of paper which we folded in half and kept folding in half and made triangles. We made pretty patterns with the paper and they looked just like snowflakes. We loved making them!

Terrific Tree Planting with Mr Bizley *by Hugo and Dottie (2H)*

This half term we helped Mr Bizley plant trees in the Environmental Area. Mr Bizley wanted help to plant the trees. He was really excited about planting the trees and we worked together as a team to do this. I was really excited too and loved planting the trees. We were given an extra play afterwards. Mr Bizley wanted new trees to make the school look nice and needed our help. We felt helpful, happy and excited to do this and we all enjoyed helping Mr Bizley.

