



Dear Parents and Carers,

There has been lots of excitement over the last couple of weeks as children have completed their designs for the Christmas card competitions. Rev. Armstrong runs a Christmas card competition each year, and the winning design is printed and shared with members of the local community; we are eagerly awaiting the result of that competition! The Marches Academy Trust also run a competition – the winner from each school is sent across to our CEO Ms Finch, and then an overall winner is chosen for the Trust's Christmas card. Our school's winning design was created by Email B (shown below), and a very close second place was Imogen's entry. Well done to Emilia and Imogen – these entries are outstanding – but also to the rest of the school. This competition was a very difficult one to judge! We will look forward to hearing from Ms Finch and finding out who the overall Trust winner is.

On a different note, thank you all for your support with our Double Bubble dress down day today! This is a great event in support of a fantastic local charity – Hope House – and it was lovely to see so many children involved in that. We are also incredibly grateful for your book donations via the Amazon Wishlist which Miss Williams created last week. We have been overwhelmed by your generosity and support. The books will be so valuable for our classes; we can't thank you enough.

Lastly, we would just like to remind families that our classrooms are very well-ventilated (even in cold weather) to try to prevent the spread of Covid. Please ensure your child has their school jumper/cardigan with them each day (no other hoodies/sweaters please, even on PE days). Children will also be able to wear their coat in the classroom if they still feel chilly, so they do need to remember to bring coats with them too.

Mrs Deborah Sadler
Headteacher



REMINDERS & NOTICES



Christmas Church Services:

Monday 13th December 1:30pm – Kingfisher and Owl Classes Christmas service and performance.

Wednesday 15th December 1:30pm – Hummingbird, Robin and Skylark Classes Nativity performance and service.

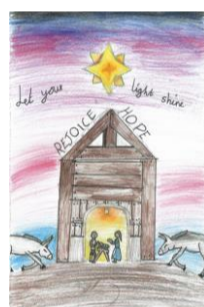
We will continue to review the situation regarding Covid cases, but very much hope to be able to invite some parents along to see these performances.

School start time: Please remember that school starts at **9:05am**. The gate will be locked at this time and children arriving after this point will be marked as late.

Well done to...

...**Emilia B**, who won our Christmas card competition
 ...**Imogen C**, who came second in our Christmas card competition

Well done to you both!



First Place: Emilia

WORSHIP



This half term, in worship, we will be focusing on the Christian value of **thankfulness**. Next week, however, we will be focusing on **Advent**, which is such a special time on the Christian calendar. If children have any prayers, linked to this theme, that they would like to share during worship, they would be very welcome to do so.

CELEBRATION



Happy Birthday to: Poppy H and Ava L, who both celebrate their birthdays this week.



AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to this week's **Headteacher Award winners**, who are:

Hummingbird Class: Baileigh-Jai and Darcie

Robin Class: Astrid, Emily and Hugo

Skylark Class: Eliza W, Ralph, Arthur and Cleo

Kingfisher Class: Finley, Charlie W, Seth, Lexi-Mai and Mia S

Owl Class: Harley, Guy, Gabrielle and Ava TB

Second Place in the Christmas Card Competition: Imogen Chequer



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Tuesday 7th December** – Robin/Skylark storyteller afternoon with Jake
- Wednesday 8th December** – Robin/Skylark Christmas Forest School (AM)
- Wednesday 8th December** – Key Stage 2 panto trip (PM)
- Friday 10th December** – Christingle Service
- Monday 13th December** – Christmas lunch
- Monday 13th December** – KS2 church service
- Tuesday 14th December** – *Stepping Out* session for Kingfisher Class (revised date)
- Wednesday 15th December** – EYFS and KS1 Nativity Service
- Friday 17th December** – Christmas Jumper Day and last day of term

