



MUSIC MARK
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Malborough with South Huish C of E (VC) Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

What a busy festive last week of term we have had! Our week began with our Christmas performances, followed by a trip to see the Pantomime, Carols around the Christmas Tree and our Christingle Service; a truly lovely way in which to end the term.



'THE TWINKLY NATIVITY'

The first of our Christmas performances, 'The Twinkly Nativity', took place on Tuesday morning. A host of Angels and shepherds braved the wet and windy weather to walk across to the church to perform for their parents, carers and members of our village community. The stars twinkled brilliantly, and everyone said their lines and sang beautifully.

A very big well done to our Key Stage 1 children for working so hard and for giving such a wonderful performance. We hope that you all enjoyed it as much as we did.



'BETHLEHEM - THE MUSICAL'

On Tuesday evening it was the turn of our Key Stage 2 children to perform their Christmas production in the Church.



The performance was held in the beautiful setting of the Church, adding to the festive atmosphere. We are very proud of all of the children for their outstanding performances and for fully embracing their roles - the excellent costumes truly brought the story to life! We would also like to extend our deepest thanks to all the parents for their unwavering support and encouragement with costumes and practicing lines at home! The catchy songs and delightful performances made for a truly memorable event. Well done to all involved!

'BEAUTY & THE BEAST'

On Wednesday the whole school went to the Princess Theatre in Torquay to see the pantomime 'Beauty & the Beast'. The children all had a great time singing along to well-known songs and joining in the fun, some of them even took part in the performance!

After a picnic lunch they returned to school ready for Carol singing around the Christmas Tree in the afternoon.



Thank you to the PTFA for organising this lovely Christmas treat for our children.

CAROLS AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE

On Wednesday afternoon, parents, carers and members of the local community joined us to sing Christmas Carols. Before our Christmas Choir, fresh from performing in Salcombe and at Heron Valley, sang Carols and well-loved Christmas songs, the children were thrilled by a visit from Santa, courtesy of the Salcombe Rotary Club. This lovely Christmas get-together ended with hot chocolate and mince pies around the Christmas Tree.



We would like to say a big thank you to L & L Fencing for kindly donating our Christmas Tree this year and to the Salcombe Rotary Club for arranging for Santa to stop off and visit us before he returned to the North Pole to start his Christmas preparations!



CHRISTMAS CAROLLING AT HERON VALLEY

Our Christmas Choir joined children from Loddiswell and Stokenham Primary Schools to sing Christmas Carols at the Heron Valley Coffee Shop.

The children had great fun singing the songs they had learnt with Mrs Nixon as well as joining in with all the other carols singers. Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for this lovely festive event.

CHRISTINGLE

On Thursday morning, with the help of Mrs Greaves, the children made their Christingles ready for our Christingle Service in the afternoon.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Greaves for coming into school to make the Christingles with the children, the PTFA for providing the extra oranges we needed to ensure we had enough for everyone and to the Malborough Church Wardens for assisting us with our Nativities and our Christingle service. Finally, a very big thank you to Trevor Becker for coming into school each week to help us to learn and practise the songs in readiness for this very special Christmas event.



CHURCH EVENTS

The Church will be holding their Advent Soup Lunches on **Wednesday 20th December** at Midday.

Carol Singing around the village and back to the Church for a seasonal taste of Austria with snacks and Gluhwein, plus treats for the children, on **Saturday 16th December**, from 4.00pm to 6.00pm. Please would all the children taking part dress up as Mary, Joseph, Shepherds, Wise Men or Inn Keepers!

Nine Lessons & Carols will be held on **Thursday 21st December** at 6.30pm followed by Mince Pies and Mulled Wine.

Christmas Eucharist on **Christmas Eve** at 9.00pm.

There will be a Family Service on **Christmas Day** at 10.00am.

Everyone is welcome to join in with these lovely Christmas events, do go along if you are able to.



ATTENDANCE Week ending 15th December

Reception	96.7%
Year 1	97.8%
Year 2	96.2%
Year 3	98.2%
Year 4	95.3%
Year 5	91.7%
Year 6	97.5%
Whole School	96.3%

WEEK BEGINNING WEDNESDAY 3rd JANUARY

Winter Menu Week 1

<p>No after-school clubs this week.</p> <p>After-school clubs recommence week beginning Monday 8th January.</p>	Monday 1 st January	BANK HOLIDAY
	Tuesday 2 nd January	NON-PUPIL DAY
	Wednesday 3 rd January	FIRST DAY OF SPRING TERM Class 3 PE
	Thursday 4 th January	
	Friday 5 th January	Class 1 PE Forest School - Reception in the morning Forest School - Year 3 in the afternoon

Congratulations!

The School Awards this week go to:

All the children! Each and everyone of you has been amazing this week. You are all stars!

The Governors' Awards this term were presented to: **Austin O** in KS1 and **Seth** in KS2.

The Attendance Cup has been awarded to: **Class 2**

This week the House with the most points is: **SAINT ANDREW**

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Well done everyone!



It has truly been a magical run up to Christmas and we so appreciate you joining us to celebrate all of the events. I just wanted to share my warmest thanks for all of your support this term in the run up to my maternity leave. All of the lovely well wishes have truly meant a lot and reminded me of what a special school community we have here at Malborough. I promise to let you all know as soon as baby Stallard arrives.

It just remains for us to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We look forward to seeing the children back in school on Wednesday 3rd January.

Yours sincerely

L. Stallard

Mrs L Stallard
Head of School

T. Coulthard

Mrs T Coulthard
Executive Head Teache

DIARY DATES - New events in 'Red'

Monday 1 st January 2024		BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 2 nd January		NON-PUPIL DAY
Wednesday 3 rd January		FIRST DAY OF SPRING TERM
Wednesday 7 th February		SHF Dance Festival at Malborough village hall. 2.30pm to 7.00pm.
Friday 9 th February		Break-up for Half Term
Monday 19 th February		Return to school
Friday 8 th March		Mothers' Day posy making (morning)
Friday 8 th March		Mothers' Day Service in Church at 2.30pm
Wednesday 13 th March	KS2	Exeter Synagogue and RAMM
Thursday 28 th March		PTFA Egg-a-thon
Thursday 28 th March		LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM
Monday 15 th April		FIRST DAY OF SUMMER TERM
Monday 6 th May		BANK HOLIDAY
Thursday 9 th May	Year 3	Extended day visit to Forest & Beach
Friday 24 th May		Break-up for Half Term
Monday 3 rd June		Return to school
Monday 3 rd June	Year 5	Bikeability cycling proficiency course
3 rd to 5 th June	Year 6	Residential visit
Wednesday 12 th June	Year 4	Residential visit
Friday 14 th June	Year 5	Residential visit
Friday 21 st June		Sports Day
Friday 19 th July		Year 6 Leavers' Service
Friday 19 th July 2024		LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM
Monday 2 nd September		NON-PUPIL DAY
Tuesday 3 rd September		FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM

