

# Class Updates - 16.12.2022



## **Butterflies update:**

**Wow, well done Butterflies for a wonderful Nativity performance!**

*The children sang the songs, joined in with the actions and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. We were very proud of them and KS1, especially Year 2 children, as they had lots of lines to remember! It was lovely to see so many parents and carers supporting the children in St Mary's church. It certainly got us all feeling very festive.*



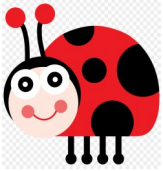
*The children also enjoyed a superb **Christmas dinner on Wednesday** with lovely crackers supplied by the PTA.*

*Butterflies enjoyed a very snowy Forest school and were delighted finding footprints in the snow, rabbit footprints, sledging with friends, making a snowman then warming up with some hot chocolate.*



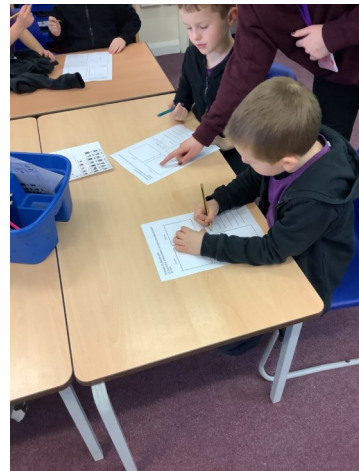
**Have a lovely weekend, lets hope it is less snowy!**

**Mrs Jeewan, Miss Hunter & Miss Willis**



## Year 1 Ladybirds Update

*It may be nearly the end of term, but Ladybirds show no signs of slowing down! They have been incredible this week and we are so proud of them! As well as Maths and English, we have been doing a DT project this week, making salt dough Christmas decorations which they will bring home this weekend. The children were fantastic in the Nativity and we all enjoyed Christmas lunch together. On Friday, we took part in a Music workshop, learning about how we can express feelings through music and learned about Christmas traditions in Spain.*



**Miss Nicholson, Mrs Potter and the Year 1 team**



## Year 2 Caterpillars Update

What a busy last full week of term Caterpillars have had! Year 2 did a fantastic job during their nativity performance. We are so proud of how well they did! Well done to all of you (and parents) for learning your lines, songs and actions so brilliantly and for saying them so loudly and clearly during your performance. It was lovely to see so many parents, grandparents, siblings and family members at the church to support the children with their performance. It definitely felt even more magical being in the church in the snow!

The children also enjoyed a delicious Christmas dinner on Wednesday. We even had some party hats still being worn throughout the rest of the week! We took advantage of wrapping up and being able to play in the snow over the week too.

Grasshoppers have completed their DT unit this week and have designed and created pop up cards suitable for Christmastime. They also enjoyed their music workshop on Friday morning as part of our RE/Music/MFL day.

### ***Miss Allin & the Year 2 team***





## Year 3 Grasshoppers Update

Grasshoppers,

During this week, we finished our DT project. During the final stages, we designed and created our own pizzas! After we had made them, we then evaluated our end product. The children were fantastic throughout this process, and I hope they enjoyed creating their own product!

Also, this week, we have had our MFL, RE and Music day. To start the day, we had a music session, with the aim of the session being that the children take away a new skill to help communicate ideas and self-expression through music.

We then looked at our chosen country (Iceland) and researched different traditions. The children then created leaflets about their traditions and used some of the research they found to make pictures.

Finally, as a class in RE, we looked at different Christmas carols and how they show the Christmas story. We studied the language of the carol and what picture it builds of Jesus.

Have a fantastic weekend,

***Mr Brown and the Yr 3 team***





## Year 4 Fireflies Update

A busy last full week before Christmas! We got to see all the hard work Key Stage One had put into their Nativity. The class have been working really hard on the toy designs, forming their shape from junk modelling, attaching it all together and working out where the electrical element is going to fit in. Then they have used paper mache to cover their toy to add strength but also to provide a better surface for painting. On Thursday the class went to the Town Library for a session run by their staff about using the library, a love of reading but also linked to our Ancient Greece topic. I have really enjoyed this first term with the class and am really impressed with their positive work attitudes and self challenge. I hope you all have a very merry Christmas and a happy new year!



**Mr Pike and the Yr4 team**

## Year 5 Busybees Update



*This week has been quite different in a lot of ways. On Monday, Mrs Smith took us for the afternoon and made some Christmas cards with us. On Tuesday, we carried on making our toys for DT. No spoilers - as we don't want to show the finished pieces yet - but you can see some photos of the children making them.*

*On Wednesday and Thursday, we were focussing on Multiplication for Maths, and in English we wrote persuasive letters to hopefully persuade Mr Jarman that we have learned a lot of skills from our DT and that we should be allowed to send our ideas to Hamleys, and to bring our prototypes home.*

*Today, Friday, we have an MfL/RE/Music day so we have just had a great workshop from Toby Burch who is a professional musician.*

*Wishing you all a Merry Christmas when it comes. Have a safe and happy holiday and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year.*

**Mrs McInnes, Mr Powlesland, Miss Driscoll and Mrs Robinson**





## Year 6 Dragonflies Update

On the penultimate week, Dragonflies have packed their dwindling time in school with lots of fun! We began the week by taking advantage of the snow, going out and having snowball fights, making snowballs and attempting to hit Mr Clarke (thankfully, the class probably need some extra session on throwing in PE; he wasn't in much real danger of injury with the wide shots being hurled!).

Year 6 have also begun their DT block, creating their own pop-up booklets! I have been very impressed with the children's ability to listen to instructions and then implement them without too much adult input—they're a creative bunch!

We are also rounding off our creative writing—the class has had a great time planning and coming up with magical elements to our market, and the writing from the children has been stellar; they've put in their best effort and should all be proud of their work!

Have a good weekend and we'll see you for the last few days before Christmas!



*Mr Clarke and Mrs Norman*