



# HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

9th December 2022

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## Attendance

Well done to **Sycamore** in Infants for having the best attendance for the last two weeks running and **Ko Tapu** and **Kilimanjaro** for attending school most in the Juniors.

## Year 1's Magical Christmas Journey

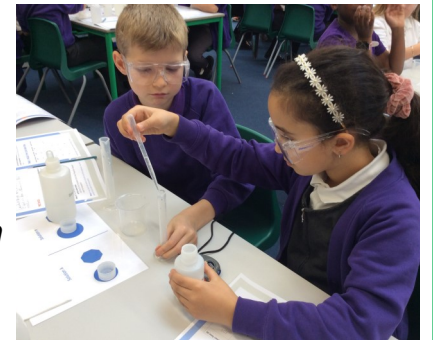
The children from Year 1 invited their families and children from Nursery, Reception and Year 2 to join them on a Magical Christmas Journey this year. We are incredibly proud of all the children who performed in this year's show. Emine loved the experience saying, "I'd like to be an actor when I grow up." The audience were impressed too, Daisy from Reception said, "I loved the singing!"

Parents from Year 1 can find a video of the performance on Tapestry.



## Science Sparks

This term all the Year 5 classes have taken part in Science Sparks, lessons conducted by science specialists from Hampton School. Lexie explained, "We investigated chemical reactions. We did two different experiments. The first looked at how temperature changes when a solution is added to a vitamin in water. The second was my favourite, we added different amounts of solution together to see how the chemicals reacted with each other. We timed how long it took. It was really good, I felt like a real scientist wearing the safety goggles and pouring the liquids."



## Light Up Whitton

On Sunday 27th November, our choir, with children from Years 2 to 6, took part in the *Light Up Whitton* event. They sang four Christmas songs on the stage in the high street. Emanuel said, "It was best when I was standing on the stage. I got to sing to the whole community!" Cezar added, "Santa



was there. I love to sing to everyone and there were so many people there."

## Homelink Singers

Our singing pupils visited the Homelink Centre on Monday 28th November to entertain the guests. It was the perfect opportunity to practise some of our exam pieces in front of a (very) appreciative audience. We also wowed the crowd with a couple of school favourites (*I Can See Clearly Now* and *Let's Go Fly A Kite*) which got everyone singing along with us! As always, the children were beautifully behaved with staff commenting on how lovely the children were chatting with guests and volunteers afterwards. *Mr Speck*





### Panathlon Winners

*"On Friday 25th November, we went to Twickenham School to take part in the Richmond Borough Panathlon. We had to do seven different events with seven minutes on each event. We came first on all our events which meant we won for the second year in a*



*row! My favourite event was the curling."*

Leland,  
Grand  
Canyon

### Be Bright Be Seen!

*"Pupil Voice children have been promoting the 'Be Bright Be Seen' campaign. We have been selling reflective zip clips and are promoting wearing them, hi vis and jackets you can easily be seen in. We created posters which we presented in assembly and in class. It is important to wear bright clothing and zip clips, otherwise you will not be seen by road drivers and could get hit by a car or when crossing the road."*

Gianluca, Stratus

[More on Road Safety](#)



### Hanukkah Assembly

On Tuesday, Mr Cross told our Year 1 and 2 children the story of Hanukkah where the Maccabees fought off King Antiochus's army and relit the everlasting light. *"The guards broke all the oil bottles but there was one left and it was only supposed to last*



*one day but it lasted eight days"* explained Jess. The children asked some great questions and Elsie was particularly struck by the candles, *"When Mr Cross lit the candles it looked shimmery"*.

### Richmond Synagogue

Last Wednesday, Year 6 visited Richmond Synagogue. Skyla and Anushri explained, *"We took the train to Richmond. We looked around the beautiful building and learnt a lot about Judaism. The rabbi showed us The Torah, which is written on parchment. It is so delicate that the rabbi uses a pointer, called a yad, when reading so he doesn't touch it. The Torah is written in Hebrew and is read from right to left."*



### Year 3 Stone Age Day

On Wednesday 30th November, Year 3 had their Stone Age Day. Willow explains, *"We looked at the Stone Age diet by digging in pretend poo which was like dough. We found bones and seeds which shows they were hunter gatherers. The workshop was fun. The actors were both*



*called Cat. One was dressed in Old Stone Age clothes and one in New Stone Age clothes. We learnt what their houses were like. In the Old Stone Age they lived in caves but in the New Stone Age they lived in wooden houses with rooms. We built houses from the Middle Stone Age which were made of stone but ours were made of clay and sticks."*

### Recorder Club Performance

Last week, Recorder Club took to the stage and treated us all to a performance of the piece 'Tudor Times'. They have been joined by lots of



new members this term, including Harvey in Jurassic Class who said, *"It's just been amazing and I'm looking forward to being in it again next year. I like it because I love performing in front of the whole school."*

### Dates for your diary

Monday **12th December, 3.25pm** - Choir to perform *Carols by Candlelight* in the Junior Playground

Tuesday **13th December** - Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day

Tuesday **13th December, 2pm** (infants), **2.30pm** (juniors) - Willow Craft and Carols - Willow parents/carers invited

Wednesday **14th December** - Reception, Year 1 and 2 (plus choir) to St Augustine's Church

Thursday **15th December** - Christmas Parties in classroom (Reception - Year 6) - Christmas jumpers can be worn

Friday **16th December** - Nursery Christmas Party - Christmas jumpers can be worn

Friday **16th December** - Last day of term

**Thursday 5th January 2023** - Children return to school for spring term