



PTCPS Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

What an amazing finish to the term! The final week in school for 2020 and a time to reflect on our achievements.

As a school the staff and children continue to inspire me daily. The commitment to learning, happiness and fun have been incredibly strong since I started in September. Punnetts Town School is a wonderful place and the children are a credit to you all as parents and carers.

This week has seen an amazing flurry of Christmas activities but still strongly sandwiched together with lots of learning.

The Christmas clothing has certainly been a lovely addition over the last couple of weeks.

Thank you very much to Friends of Punnetts Town, who have shown their resilience and fantastic teamwork to continue to create new ways of fundraising to support the school. The creativity has been exceptional and it makes such a difference to the school when additional funds are available to support our children. Thank you to all who donated their time to organise and run events and for all who have supported with donations and money, it has been exceptional.

Thank you for supporting the Christmas post, year 6 have certainly been busy quarantining, sorting and delivering cards.

I am delighted that technology has assisted us in creating our whole school performance of 'Lights, Camel, Action'. Mrs Saunders has created copies for you to purchase at just £1.00 per disc, the money raised will go directly to fund to provide further resources for the children. We are also able to add this onto Google classrooms alongside our Christmas carols, so please log on and enjoy the performances.

Monday was a stunning start to the week. Father Christmas visited virtually to all of the classes, he had also sent an envelope to all of the classes containing a ticket to watch a pantomime and to receive a snack box. This video had to be paused a few times in the classes due to the excitement that the virtual visitor caused!

The afternoon lived up to every expectation with a superb pantomime that reflected the current climate in a superb version of Jack and the Beanstalk. The snack box certainly made it a memorable afternoon. Thank you to Friends for helping with this venture.



Tuesday brought us a much-needed dry day. The school came together, socially distanced on the playground to share some Christmas carols. It was wonderful for some of the local residents to clap and wave by the back gate and preschool from their outdoor area. We are sorry you could not join us; this has recorded and uploaded onto Google classrooms. As a Christmas treat the children

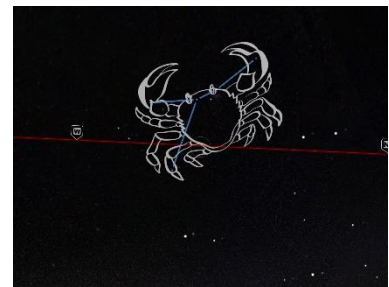


received a hot chocolate with squirty cream, marshmallows and a cookie! This was certainly a treat! I am pleased to report that the children extended fantastic manners and were very thankful.

Wednesday was Christmas lunch! Wow what a feast. I am still in awe of the Chartwells staff and their ability to cook in excess of 120 meals and still smile! Thank you. The children and staff certainly enjoyed their lunch and the Christmas crackers were the icing on the cake.



Somehow Mrs Winter, Mr Agate and Mrs Venner found the energy to provide a fabulous finish to their 'Stargazers' project with Oak and Elm class after school on Wednesday and Thursday evening. The children enjoyed using the Ipads to search the night sky and enjoyed using their torches outside.



These will certainly be evenings to remember.

The class parties on Thursday afternoon were wonderful. Laughter, shrieks, excitement and the love of Christmas filled the school. Thank you to all of the staff for creating such a fun afternoon.

Finally, Friday... it's all so quiet and peaceful until... roughly 3.05/15 as we dismiss the children and wish them all the most fabulous Christmas and let you prepare and enjoy your family Christmases.

I would like to extend my thanks from all of the staff for your kind and thoughtful Christmas wishes, cards and gifts. We hope you all remain healthy and that you have a very happy Christmas. We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 4th January from 8.40am.

Christmas wishes and Kind Regards
 Mrs Claire Kinsella
 Acting Headteacher
 Punnetts Town Community Primary School

Dates to note

Term 3		
Week 1	Monday 4 th January	Pupils return to school
Week 6	Thursday 11 th February	Last day of term
	Friday 12 th February	INSET
Term 4		
Week 1	Monday 22 nd February	Pupils to return to school
Week 6	Wednesday 31 st March	Last day of term