



# Low Ash Primary School Newsletter

## December 2021

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Thank you for all of your support this term. We've made it! The children have all worked incredibly hard since September and definitely deserve a rest over the Christmas holidays.

In this newsletter, we want to share some of the highlights of the past few weeks.

### **Nativities, Carols and Performances**

Although different this year, we are so pleased that we have been able to invite you all to school so that you could help celebrate Christmas here at Low Ash. We have been incredibly fortunate with the weather meaning that all outdoor performances have taken place (almost) without a hitch! Nativities and the Carols by Candlelight performances were recorded and should now be available to view on your child's Google classroom (School Pings have been sent out about this.) A big thank you to Mr. Morton who returned to Low Ash to video and edit the performances.

A further performance took place when the Choir visited Well Springs Nursing home to sing to the residents. To keep all of the residents safe, the Choir sang outside while the residents watched from a terrace.

All of the children and staff have worked incredibly hard to prepare these

performances and we are so pleased that so many of you came to watch. A special thanks to Miss Hansen who leads the Choir and Miss Wright and Miss Thornton who lead the Performing Arts group.

### **BRI gifts**



All of your kind donations for children who will spend their Christmas in hospital have been delivered to BRI. They were really gratefully received. A huge thank you to Miss Lalli who suggested and organised this and a big thank you to you all – we were overwhelmed by your generosity.

### **Poppy Appeal**

A further thank you to all at home for supporting this year's school Poppy Appeal. We have just received a certificate letting us know that school raised nearly £300!



## Asda donations



Asda very kindly donated 35 Christmas Eve boxes to school which were divided up across the classes. Over the past week, each class has organised their own competition / prize draw and some lucky children were able to take one of the boxes home.

## Victorian Christmas

Last week, to end their unit of learning on the Victorians, Year 5 spent a day at St. Cuthbert's Church celebrating a 'Victorian Christmas'. Thank you to all of those involved in the organisation and running of the day.



The children (and staff) had a fabulous day getting a glimpse into life over 100 years ago.

## Reception Lights Trip



Reception thoroughly enjoyed being taken to see the Christmas lights on Green Lane, Idle this week. Santa even made a surprise

appearance! A huge thank you to all of the residents who made the children's experience so magical. As part of the evening, pupils also listened to a 'fireside' bedtime story in their classrooms with hot chocolate, marshmallows and bedtime biscuits. The Nursery children also enjoyed a Christmas evening in school too.

## Staffing

We want to give a special thanks to 3 'retired' members of staff who have returned to school at various point this term to help. Mr. Henry and Mr. Ebbage have been back in school either covering classes or leading tuition for small groups of pupils and Mrs Sunderland has been back in various roles! Thank you to them all for giving up some of their retirement to continue to help the school.

## COVID

We hate to end on a COVID note, but, as you will be aware, the media is awash with what will or will not happen with schools in January. Up to date, there has been no additional information given to schools, so we are truly hoping that we will see you all (face to face) in the New Year. Should anything change, we will of course contact you via School Ping.

In the meantime, you will probably now be aware that there has been a new national approach to daily testing for contacts of positive COVID 19 cases (despite vaccination status or variant). Anyone over the age of 5 who is contacted by Test and Trace should take a lateral flow test for 7 days instead of self-isolating.

Thank you for your continued support this term. It has been wonderful to see the children progress and thrive. We hope that you all have a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year with your loved ones and look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2022.

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**(Co-Headteachers)**