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Our value of the month: Thoughtfulness & Understanding

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2019



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We have taken delivery of our new federation minibus and drove it up to Shillington for the first time. The mini bus is looking fab and some of the children have already been to check it out. We are looking forward to being able to take advantage of this brilliant new addition to the school.

It was suggested our first journey should be to Lapland. Unfortunately, we hadn't got Parental Consent!

#### **Shillington Superstars**

**Rainbows** 

Aethel

Esmee

Unicorns

Martha C

Jack

**Dragons** 

Elsie

Dexter

Centaurs

Imogen

Ayden

Phoenix

Connor

Evie

#### **Exciting Writing**

Rainbows

Zach

Cameron

Unicorns

Ellis

**Dragons** 

Lottie

Heath

Centaurs

Charlie

Rosie

Phoenix

**Finley** 

Ayrton

#### **Pixie News**

This week we have been reading the book 'Stick Man' and the children all made their own Individual versions of the stick man using play dough. We have enjoyed

comparing sticks and have been putting them into size order. We introduced the children to new words such as taller, smaller, longest and shortest. The children have made some sparkly Christmas decorations which will be on show at the Christmas tree festival for you to have a look at this weekend.



#### **Rainbows News**

Over the past couple of weeks, we have been working really hard on our Nativity Play. We are so excited to show you all our performance on the big stage!

This week we have been exploring different ways to make 5 using a 'Whole - Part -Part' model. The teachers have been so impressed with our new learning.

We have also decorated a Christmas tree, made decorations and started to create our new Christmas Post Office Role Play area.

### **Unicorns News**

Last week the children really enjoyed Superhero day and came in some brilliant costumes. This week we are creating our own superhero stories around our own superheroes we designed last week. We have been busy practicing our Christmas performance with year 2. We can't wait to show you all next Monday afternoon at the church.

## **Dragons News**

We've worked really hard in maths, learning how to multiply, we used our Growth Mindset skill of perseverance. In English we created fabulous information leaflets all about Tower Bridge.

In PE we've been dancing to Rockin' Robin and this week we're performing our dances to Year 1.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our Christmas Carol Performance.

# **Phoenix News**

This week we have been writing our own adventure stories based on the journey of Gulliver in the text we have been reading. In Maths we have been working hard on multiplication and division and have been solving problems. We have enjoyed taking part in Dance this half term and performed our final routine to Year 3—we learnt how to incorporate 'sport moves' when dancing the style of street dance.

### **Centaurs News**

This week the children have enjoyed writing historical stories about Mount Vesuvius erupting near the Roman town of Herculaneum. In Maths we have continued adding and subtracting from three digit numbers. When subtracting children practised crossing into the previous hundred and enjoyed playing a counting robot game. Ask your child to be the robot and show you the game at home! On Friday your child will bring home a list of all the spellings we have learnt this term. If your child could choose some of the words they found trickier to practise again that would be helpful. We are trying to help the children commit these spellings to their long term memory, rather than just learning for the weekly test. They could also try writing some of the words in sentences. Finally we have been busy learning our Christmas songs and making decorations for our tree at the Xmas Tree Festival .

# **Diary Dates**

#### Term Dates 2019—2020

These are the dates agreed with our cluster of schools for 2019—2020

<u>Autumn Term 2019</u>

Wednesday 4th September 2019—Friday 20th December 2019
Spring Term 2020

Tuesday 7th January 2020 - Friday 3rd April 2020

(Inset day: Monday 6th January)
(Half term: 17th-21st February)

May Day 2020—Please note change for VE Day Anniversary, May Day is now Friday 8th May 2020

**Summer Term 2020** 

Monday 20th April 2020 - Friday 17th July 2020

(Half term: 25th-29th May)

Please note there is no Inset day on Monday 20th April 2020 as shown on CBC website academic calendar

#### Parent diary dates

KS1 Carols in the Church 9th December 2pm

Rainbows Nativity 10th December 9.30am

11th December 2.30pm

Christmas crafts with parents 12th December 9.15am

KS2 Xmas Songs to their parents 12th December 10.30-11am

Christmas Jumper Day (50p donation) 13th December

Years R-4 to the Panto 16th December

Whole school Xmas Dinner 18th December

End of term 20th December

Back to School 7th January 2020

Year 4 to Young Voices 5th February 2020

# When should my child return to school?





\*No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed.



# Thank you!

We raised £228.47 for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal this year. This is a fantastic amount and the most we have ever raised!





The total amount raised for Children in Need was £186.25

Thank you everyone, for your generosity.

School Council are raising money for Save the Children by asking everyone to take part in Christmas Jumper Day this year.

Please remember Friday 13th December is Save the Children, Xmas Jumper Day. Children can wear their Christmas jumpers (with school uniform on the bottom half) and pay a small donation of 50p.





# **Xmas Tree Festival**

Please remember to visit the Congregational Church this weekend and have a look at all our Xmas Trees with the children's decorations, as you can see - they look amazing!

Remember, we are fortunate to receive half of all donations made this weekend so please support us.