

Year 6 Update – Friday 5th December 2025

This week our Year 6 children got a chance to see the Key Stage 1 Nativity: *Bethlehem Ballroom and the EYFS Nativity: The Twinkly Nativity*. There was a hugely positive response from our classes and the younger children have certainly set high standards for the Year 6 performance in the Summer.

Religious Education

- We are in the first week of Advent. Our class worships have been led by the children.
- The children have looked at the different scripture that we hear around the time of Advent and they have re-written it from a different person's perspective e.g. the story of the Annunciation, written from Angel Gabriel's perspective.
- The children have written a prayer to accompany each day and an intention for them to complete.

Advent Prayer Morning in the Chapel

- It was great to see so many parents, children and friends of St Anthony's taking advantage of the chapel being open before school on Thursday to mark the first week of Advent.
- The chapel will once again be open from 8:30 – 8:50 on Thursday 12th December for the second week of Advent.

English

- The children have read the first stave of *A Christmas Carol*: Marley's Ghost and discussed the character of Ebenezer Scrooge.
- The children started to write a descriptive narrative account about when he is visited by his nephew Fred and the two gentlemen come to his office collecting money for charity.
- They were encouraged to use some of the descriptive writing skills they had developed from their Night of the Gargoyles unit with this work.

Vocabulary: phantom, incredulous, forbearance, spectre, Bedlam, workhouse

Pre learning:

- Next week we will be finding out what happens when Scrooge is visited by the first of the three spirits: The Ghost of Christmas Past and the effect that this experience has on him.

Mathematics

- This week the children have continued to look at solving the area of shapes and in particular composite shapes, triangles and parallelograms.
- We discussed the importance of remembering the formula for solving these shapes and then applying this knowledge to reasoning based questions.

Vocabulary: area, base, perpendicular height, cm², m²

Pre-learning

Next week we will be moving on to recapping the method for solving short division.

Christmas Dinner

The school Christmas Dinner takes place on Wednesday 10th December and the Year 6 children, members of staff and invited guests will enjoy this special occasion in the school hall. We will also be entertained by members of the school choir before our meal. Many thanks to Mrs Wilson who has been preparing the choir for this special day and when they performed at Holy Rood Church on Friday afternoon as well.

Charity Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 10th December is also our Christmas jumper day to raise money for Save the Children; donations can be made via the School Gateway. The children **do not** need to wear their uniform on this day.

Other Information

- A reminder that the last swimming lesson for Year 6 Padua takes place on Monday 8th December.
- Please ensure that you have given permission for your child to attend the school trip to Bletchley Park on Friday 12th December; this can be done via the School Gateway. **The children need to be at school by 8:30am on Friday** as we need to leave by 8:45am.
- School will finish at 1:30pm on Friday 19th December.

Wishing you a lovely weekend

Kind regards

The Year 6 Team