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SOUTH DARLEY C.E.
PRIMARY SCHOOL



Celebrating Our Week

Friday 1st December 2023

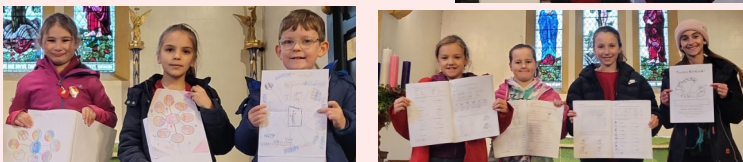
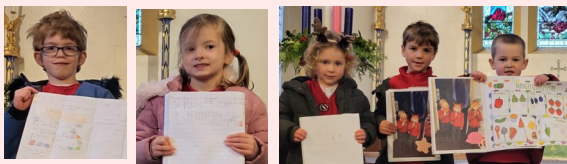
Infants looking back at last week

Reception had fun using expression to act out the story "Jack and the Beanstalk". They drew some very scary giants and wrote in the speech bubble "Fee-fi-fo-fum" In Maths they learnt days of the week and enjoyed "The Hungry Caterpillar" story having fun feeding their own caterpillar. KS1 wrote descriptive list poems about the objects we could imagine finding in the pockets of a mermaid, an astronaut, a queen... even an alien! We started using larger numbers and partitioning them into tens and ones. TwinklGO codes for our guided reading books are now on Dojo and pupils would love to share them with you at home. We practiced hard for the Nativity— the words and songs are coming along nicely. This weekend Mary and Joseph have begun their Posada journey and been welcomed into their first home.

Infants Looking forward to next week

Reception will read and make a story map of "Little Red Riding Hood". In Maths they will learn to tell the time looking at "0' Clock", using a timer to see how many jumps they can complete in a minute. KS1 will use all their vocabulary skills to describe festive pictures. They will continue to notice changes in the seasons and will think about the challenges that animals face during the Winter months, designing and making some bird feeders to help them to stay healthy. We are looking forward to seeing pictures from the Posada and will be fitting Nativity costumes so that we are ready for the big day. (We have lots of costumes in school so don't worry about finding them- we'll just need the children to bring warm clothes to wear under them as they can be a little flimsy for the weather!)

Best work of the week was awarded to Peter, Edwin, Charlotte, Mina, Ralph, Isla, Anna, Thomas, Ella, Etta, Minnie and Ruby.



Lower Juniors looking back at last week

In Literacy pupils analysed features of instruction texts and read chapters of our text Julius Zebra: Rumble with the Romans to find out what Julius had to do during his Gladiator training. We used the information to plan out our own gladiator training instruction text. In Science, we used our knowledge to design magnetic games which will be made by pupils over the coming weeks. We enjoyed the BBC Live Lesson about the Romans and investigated artefacts finding out about Vindolanda and its mystery people.

Lower Juniors looking forward to next week

In Geography we will look at Roman Roads and different Roman settlements across the UK, comparing how the Romans used land in the countryside and cities. In Literacy, we will begin to write our own instruction texts, paying attention to the different features and thinking about how we can write our instructions to persuade someone to become a Gladiator. In Maths, we will continue practising and learning our times tables and putting our times table knowledge into practise through problem solving questions. In Latin next week, the children will be conjugating verbs.

Upper Juniors looking back at last week

We wrote mystery stories inspired by our book 'The Thieves of Ostia'. Pupils had great ideas with interesting characters and real-life Roman settings. In Science we carried out an investigation to see if we could get the light bulb in a circuit to be brighter or dimmer – pupils discovered some interesting things. We enjoyed a BBC Live Lesson online on Monday about the Romans and explored clues found at the Roman Fort of Vindolanda to discover who the mystery people were.

Upper Juniors looking forward to next week

We will continue with our mystery stories and learn the nativity songs so we can assist the infants with their singing for the performance in church. We will think about things in the natural world to write some poetry about and look at archaeological sites in topic. We will explore what these sites tell us about the Romans. In Maths Y5 will be working on multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000 and Y6 will continue with work on fractions.

House Points

Haddon— 105

Riber— 77

Chatsworth— 37

**House Points Prize Winners—
Leia and Takuma**

PE Stars of the Week

**Belle &
Edwin**

**Olivia &
Oliver**

What's on next week

Mon 4th	INSET DAY
Tues 5th	School SIAMS Inspection. Parents encouraged to talk to the Inspector from 8.30am.
Weds 6th	Little Darlings Toddler Group 10.30am—12 noon. School Swimming Y5/6. Please remember swim kits, swim hats and remove jewellery.
Thurs 7th	Juniors Ukulele Lessons High Five Netball Tournament. Selected Junior Children. Letter sent via Parentpay and on school website Coach travel to and from the event. Full PE Kit, packed lunch and water bottles please plus a warm coat.
Fri 8th	Forest Schools -Year 5 Please wear long sleeves, long trousers (not leggings), sturdy shoes and weather appropriate outer wear. PE at School for other years. Full school PE kit please—white PE T shirt, red shadow stripe shorts or grey/black jogging bottoms and red school jumper. No earrings and no hoodies. Longer hair to be tied back please. FOSDS Christmas Fayre. 3.30pm—5.30pm Volunteers to help set up and assist children required. Please let office know ASAP.

**SCHOOL
GAMES**

Sports Events & Results



Forest Schools



Note from FOSDS: Thank you all very much for your generous donations towards the Christmas Fayre. We still need more though! If you have any empty drinks bottles or screw top wine bottles please bring them into school. We also need more chocolate—single bar type rather than boxes of chocolate and soft toys/teddy bears. Our biggest need though is your help! We have lots of wrapping and preparation that needs doing—if you can offer us some time, before during or after – even just for 5 minutes please offer your services to Mrs Manning in the office!

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