



Hello everyone

School certainly has a festive feel this week! The Christmas tree in the hall looks lovely and we have also welcomed visitors from Pip and Jay, who led assemblies this week. They explained the meaning of Advent and the importance of Christmas to Christians. Next week there will be parties in classes and Reception classes will perform their Nativity play as well.

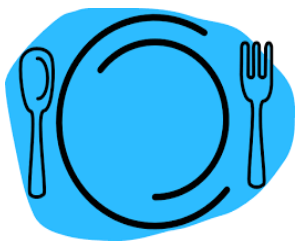
Today we had a visitor in school finding out about all the work of our Green team. As well as bees, chickens, litter superheroes and recycling we were able to talk about our wonderful gardening volunteers, Bristol Textile Recycling and our wider links to the City Farm, HorseWorld, Severnside community rail, APE project and more. Special thanks to Frankie and Isra for welcoming our visitor as well.

Thank you for returning your voting forms for Parent Governor elections. If you haven't yet returned your ballot paper, you have until Tuesday to do so.

Have a lovely weekend,

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher.

Reminder - school dinners cost £2.05 each



If you bring a packed lunch make sure your lunch bag is clearly named. Please provide a healthy option.



Reception: Fayola and Aisha

Year 1: Halimo and Basmala

Year 2: Tegan and Abdullahi

Year 3: Yackhob and Ismail

Year 4: Zakiah and Rajwa

Year 5: Sabrina and Linaz

Year 6: Mohamed I and Karima

The First Christmas



Reception Nativity Performance

Wednesday 13th December

Please arrive for 1:45pm

Homework
Club

Will restart on Thursday 4

January, 3:15-4pm

INVITATION

**M4K's End of Term
Celebration!**
**Parents and Carers are
welcome to come along and
stay for some food and drink!**

Wednesday
13 December
4:30 - 6:00

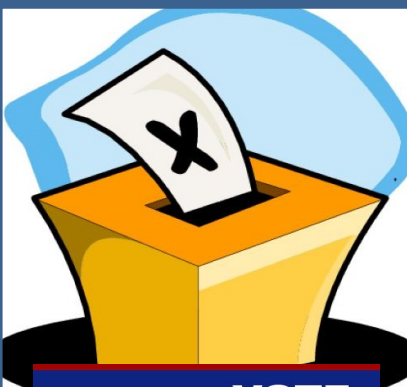
**Feel free to stay a few minutes or
for the whole time!**

Lots of new courses for parents next term including
Mindfulness, ESOL and Computers. Check the website or
pick up a leaflet from the office.

OPEN MORNING! Save the date!

Come and see the school in action. Thursday 25 January.

Booking forms will be sent home the week before.



**your VOTE
is your VOICE**

Parent Governor Election

All voting slips must be completed and
returned by Tuesday 12th December.

The ballot box is in the school office.

The votes will then be counted on Wednesday
13th December.



We had our massive Christmas Tree delivered at the end of last week and it was beautifully decorated by staff.

Thank you to Pip n Jay for the lovely advent candle and for the assemblies that they held for the children earlier this week.



On Wednesday we enjoyed our Christmas Lunch. A big thank you to the kitchen staff for their hard work! The children had placemats that they had decorated themselves and there was music playing to bring some festive cheer to their lunchtime!

The Reception children have been very busy practising their nativity play to make sure that it is perfect for their performance next week. All are welcome to come along to watch them perform on Wednesday.



The children will be having class Christmas parties on Thursday 14th December. Please feel free to bring in food and drinks for all of the children to enjoy as a final treat before the end of the term!

What have we been learning?

Reception

This week we used our sounds and tricky words to read sentences and write short words like 'bell' 'hill' 'miss' and 'less' while forming our letters carefully. In Maths we learnt to add by putting a number in our head and counting on. **At home, ask your child to add two groups of objects together eg. Count how many of each oranges and apples there are in the fruit bowl. How many are there altogether?**

Year 1

In literacy this week we wrote our own stories. In maths we solved simple one step word problems and worked on our mental maths arithmetic. For example 'Alfie has 2 pencil cases. Each case has 6 pencils. How many pencils does he have?' ($6+6=12$) In topic we enjoyed talking about special places and compared different features of a Church and a Mosque. **Please help your child to learn number bonds to 20 and learn to spell the days of the Week.**

Year 4

This week we wrote our own newspaper reports about Leon exploring a magical world called 'The Place Between'. In maths we practised the 7 times table and also completed some assessments. We also enjoyed creating some African dot paintings. **At home, please support your child to practise the 7, 6 and 9 times table.**

Year 5

This week we wrote a saga based on our learning in term 1 of 'The Saga of Bjorn' In maths we found the area of compound and irregular shapes. **At home, please help your child to practice their spellings from the term 1 spelling list.**

Year 2

This week we wrote an exciting discovery story in English. In Maths we revised using our addition and subtraction strategies. In DT we investigated different 'joining' techniques. **At home, please support your child to practise the 2, 5 and 10 times table at home.**

Year 3

This week we strengthened our understanding of the 4 and 8 times tables in Maths- using our knowledge to multiply and divide. In English we wrote stories with a warning in them. **At home, you can help by practising the 4 and 8x tables.**

Year 6

This week we carried out some assessments in maths. In literacy, we revised the different writing techniques. Then we planned and started to write a non-chronological report about our own mythical creature. In topic, we made packaging for our own Fairtrade chocolate and in small groups, we made the chocolate with Lisa. **At home, please support your child to multiply and divide numbers by 10,100 and 1000.**