



Friday 20th December 2024

Church Langton Church of England Primary School

Newsletter – Updates and Announcements

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we reach the end of a busy and successful autumn term, it is with great pride that I write to reflect on the incredible achievements of our children and the vibrant festive events that have brought warmth and joy to our school community over the past few weeks.

This term has seen our children excel in so many areas. From mastering new concepts in maths and exploring creative writing to delving into fascinating scientific facts, their enthusiasm for learning has been a truly inspiring. We've also seen growth in teamwork, resilience, and confidence across the year groups, especially our Reception children. Every child's dedication and hard work deserves the highest praise. It is a personal aim to promote kindness and respect in all our actions and interactions, and I very proud of how this is looks and feels in school.

Autumn Highlights

Music has been a highlight of the term, with the choir delivering a beautiful performance at the Christmas Tree Barn and our brass band shining brightly during the carol service yesterday, as well as in the concert at The Robert Symth Academy in November. We were delighted to welcome Year 3 families to watch the class as an ensemble following their block of learning with Mr Haigh. Remembering also, our Taiko drummers performing for Children in Need last month and most recently their surprise performance in celebration worship! We truly believe in the power of music and the joy singing brings, and we are grateful to have Mr Kirkland to guide us. A huge thanks to him!

Our sports teams have also displayed great skill and sportsmanship, with fantastic performances in football, swimming and cross-country events.

The work we have undertaken to support national charities during the autumn term has been commendable. We have raised money for The Poppy Appeal, Save the Children and Children in Need, as well as our own school fundraising through FoCLS. Thank you for your generosity and support with these events.

Festive Cheer!

The festive season has brought a flurry of joyful activities to our school. Yesterday, the FoCLS Christmas Extravaganza was a resounding success, filling the Langton Community Hall with laughter, games, and a visit from Father Christmas himself!

The KS1 nativity play was a joyful event, showcasing the children's acting and singing skills while reminding us of the meaning of Christmas, shared in the Christian faith. Our second annual 'Carols by Candlelight' was a magical evening, mixing traditional and contemporary songs and telling the Christmas story in wonderful surroundings of the

church. It was a poignant and uplifting way to bring everyone together in celebration and encouraged a sense of belonging for us all.

None of these accomplishments would be possible without the support of our wonderful school community. A special thank you goes to Sally, the FoCLS committee and their team of parent volunteers, who go above and beyond to create and support these events.

Looking Ahead

As we break for the holiday, I encourage everyone to take time to rest and recharge. The new term promises fresh opportunities and exciting challenges, and we all look forward to seeing the children return with renewed energy and enthusiasm on **Monday 6th January, at 8.40am.**

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the dedicated staff for nurturing the children's potential, and to our parents and extended families for your continued encouragement and involvement. Together, we create an environment where our children thrive. I would also like to thank you for every good wish, Christmas card and gift I have been fortunate to receive, it is much appreciated,

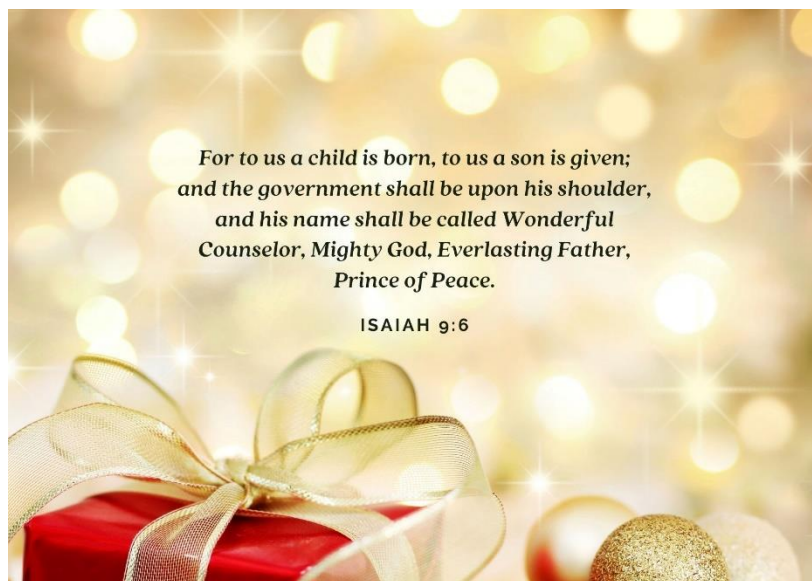
On behalf of the entire team, I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May it be filled with happiness, love and wonderful memories.

With my very best wishes,

Mrs Lucy Anderson

Christmas services

There will be a crib service at St Andrew's Church in Tur Langton at 4pm on Christmas Eve, followed by midnight mass at 11pm. The theme of the crib service is **the star**. Children and their families are welcome to join with a star, as a star or just in some sparkly and star like! There are also many other local services, please see your village communication or contact Revd Jonathan directly.





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