

# Platt Primary News



**'Live life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)**

**Friday 24th November 2023**

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy week we have had in school this week! We have shared our final open event for prospective parents, we have had workshops running for Key Stage 1 as part of their PSHE learning, Year 6 have been completing their Bikeability courses and this afternoon we had our first open afternoon to share learning with you. Our classes are also busy updating our corridor displays to showcase our wider curriculum including Forest School, Zones of regulation and pupil leadership roles.

In Collective Worship this week, we have been learning about the four candles of Advent. Hopefully your children will be able to tell you what each one stands for.

On Wednesday evening, our teachers went to Trottiscliffe C of E Primary school for a moderation of writing session. This is always good practice and it was a great opportunity to see another school, their classroom environments and to make new connections.

Also this week we had our first visit from our School Improvement Advisor. She was impressed with the behaviour for learning in the classrooms.

You will have heard from the PTA that we are rearranging our Christmas Fayre and it will now be on Friday 8th December 3:15—4:30pm in the hall. We do hope you and your family and friends can come along and join us for a warm drink, gifts and fun.

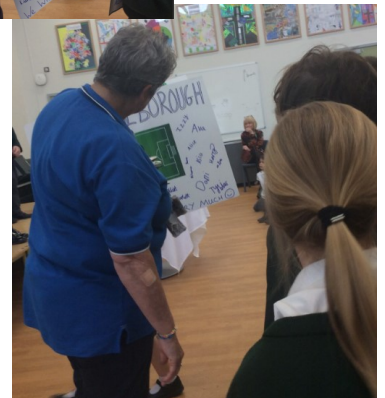
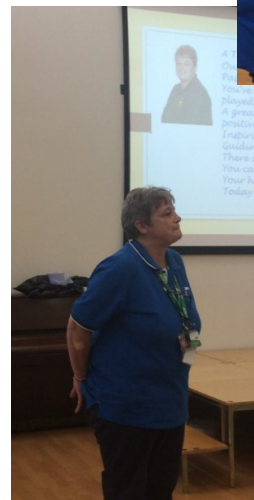
Have a lovely weekend—stay warm!

*Mrs Smith*



## **Farewell Mrs Riseborough**

Today we very sadly say goodbye to Mrs Riseborough who is heading back to working in the catering sector. Mrs Riseborough has been a constant and a strength of Platt school and we are immensely sorry to see her go. In worship the children presented her with cards and gifts. Year 4 shared a poem they had written for her and the choir sang a special version of one of their Young Voices songs especially for her. We would like to thank Mrs Riseborough for her hard work and dedication to the school.



## **Donation to Platt C of E School from Stonepitts Christmas Tree Farm, Seal Chart**

As in previous years, Martin & Jackie would once again like to offer a £2.00 donation to your PTA for every Christmas tree bought by families and staff. If you would like to participate, it is important that you bring a copy of this News Letter with you. This will count towards the final donation to the school PTA. You may also be interested to know that Stonepitts will again be supporting Demelza Hospice Care for Children as their chosen Charity.

For details and directions to Stonepitts Farm please visit [www.stonepitts.com](http://www.stonepitts.com)



## Achievement Award



Well done to this week's recipients for showing the value of friendship are:

Creators: Mackenzie

Explorers: Florence

Astronauts: Stanley

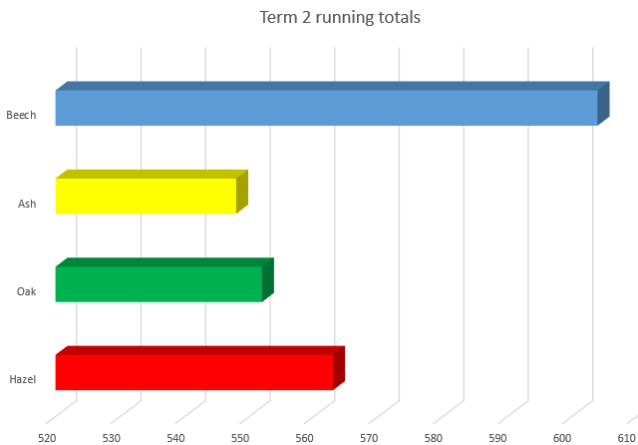
Inventors: Poppy

Adventurers: Robin

Voyagers: Jeremy

Ambassadors: George

## House Points



Hazel took the win this week with 166 points! Well done!

Ash: 134

Beech: 145

Oak: 150

## Bags 2 School Important update

Unfortunately, Bags2School have asked us to reschedule our collection date to 30th January 2024. I hope you will carry on collecting old clothing and be able to store them until this date. Further information will be available nearer the time. *PTA*

## Dogs onsite

Please do not leave dogs unattended or tied to gates/fences on school premises. Whilst they may be friendly, we would not want any accidents to occur.

Thank you.



## Diary Dates

Please note that all events and dates listed below are accurate at the time of printing this newsletter, but, could be subject to change in the future.

### Autumn Terms 1 and 2

- Forest School for Year 5 every Friday during term 2
- 29th November – PTA Christmas Wreath Making Workshop
- Monday 4th December—Bags to School (Postponed)
- Tuesday 5th December Nativity performance 10am
- Wednesday 6th December Nativity performance 2pm
- Thursday 7th December Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
- Friday 8th December 9am Christmas Coffee Morning for potential New Entrants
- **Friday 8th December Christmas Fayre 3:15 –4:30pm**
- 18th December – 1st January School Holidays

### Spring Terms 3 and 4

- Tuesday 2nd January *INSET Day 4 – children not in school*
- Year 4 Forest School (days to be confirmed)
- Friday 2nd February Number Day
- Monday 5th February – school photos
- Tuesday 6th February Safer Internet Day
- Tuesday 6th February Parents' Evening
- Thursday 8th February Parents' Evening
- 12th – 16th February – *Half Term*

### Church Services this academic year:

- Friday 15th December—Christmas—Key Stage 2
- Thursday 18th January—Epiphany—Year 2
- Wednesday 21st February—Lent—Year 1
- Friday 22nd March—Easter—Year 4
- Friday 7th June—Communion—Year R
- Monday 22nd July Leavers' Service—Y6

If you can support the school and volunteer to walk both to and from the church on these dates, please let your child's class teacher know.

For more dates for this academic year, please see the diary dates list that has been emailed to you or the school website.

Mrs Smith and the school team

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