

Weekly newsletter: 7th December 2018

### **Important dates**

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity performance Friday 21st December – School closes at 13:30 Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January – School opens at 08:30 Please note that the school gate opens at 08:30

# **News from Pioneers**

We have been busy practising our Nativity. The children are working hard on their dances, acting, singing and lines. Many thanks to those who have practised at home - it really helps. If you have any questions about costumes please come and see me.

Huge congratulations to all the children who sang at the Guildhall. They did a great job and we were very proud of them. The children will get certificates and photographs in Lovely Hat Collective on Friday.

I will not be sending home any more spelling until after Christmas. Please practise the words with your children that are not highlighted on the Year 1 Common Word sheet.

Pioneers welcomed Annabelle to their class this week. We do hope that she settles in quickly and enjoys her time at Hope Community School. Finally don't forget we also have our "Amazing Me Show" next Friday at 2.30pm in the hall. A chance for the Pioneers to show off their talents. Tickets will be on sale from next Monday for £1 to put towards class projects. Many thanks

## **News from Explorers**

The Explorers have had a busy week, finishing off our topic about Stick man by writing captions of his journey. The children have made some super models that are up in the classroom, if you want to go and see them. On the last day of term (Friday 21st) the children will be watching the BBC film of "Stick Man" and we plan to have some popcorn and squash as a treat for their enthusiasm and engagement in the topic, plus their super behaviour on our trips out.

We have been busy practising our play, all ready to show you on Tuesday am. Please remember a sparkly and/or bright top and some black bottoms in a labelled bag! All other costumes have been sorted by the staff.

Next week we will start our final 2 week topic of the Autumn term which is Christmas! We will be learning about the Christmas story and the characters from this. We have lots of lovely crafts planned over the next 2 weeks as well.

In phonics we are starting to learn about digraphs which is when 2 letters make 1 sound, e.g. "sh" in "shop" or "fish". The children know this term so may use it when they are talking to you or reading. The children have become masters at learning numbers within 6 and have some super language now. We will now start 2 weeks of learning 3D shape, maybe you can find some around the house to talk about.

#### **Celebrations**

#### Children with 100% attendance for this week are:

Zackariya, Seth, Alicia, Shanaya, Elsie, Dylan, Aryah, Nevaeh, Luca, Ibrahim, Kian, Janae, Joshua, Jolie, Victorija, Tabitha, Adrians, Aadi, York

Hawra, Azeez, Freya-Elaine, Selma, Annabelle, Selma, Temi, Zher, Talea, Jaiden, Yara, Melissa, Daniel, Lya, Malachi, Blake, Adriana, Siyana, Henryk, Caitlyn, Ruby, Dayna-Mai, Jerry, Izabelle

Lovely hats/certificates have been presented to:

**Audrey and Henryk** 

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