

# NEWSLETTER - FRIDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2021



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### Sun Shine Awards (01/12/21-17/11/21)

Reception: Maisy.

Class 1: Ella.

Class 2: Sonny.

Class 3: Orla.

W/C 06.12.21 School Sports Award goes to Flynn M



Well done to Molly & Eden who took part in a cookery competition where they made a two course meal.

### Congratulations

Betsy, Perdi and Estee were all very keen to show off their rosettes for recent competitions at Ledbury Hunt. Betsy won first prize in horse jumping whilst Perdi and Estee were very keen to show their pictures of the fancy dress they came first in! They all talked passionately about their sport and some of them shared their achievements in class.



### After School Club T3

12/01/22-09/02/22 Netball Club Yr 2&3 3.20-4pm

10/01/22-07/02/22 Camp Kindness Yr 3 3.15 - 4pm

### Future Dates/Notifications

17/12/21: Term 2 finishes

04/01/22: Inset Day

05/01/22: Term 3 Starts



EYFS and Class 1 put on a wonderful Nativity for parents. Thank you to all of them for working so hard along with all the staff.

School Council End of Autumn Term Update School Council ran a very successful Fruity Friday (10.12.21), the children worked together to find out what the most popular fruit was among their peers during their break and lunchtime with Alex, Maddie and Eleanor helping the younger member of the council. Future Fruity Fridays have been requested by the Council to Mrs Neveu and they have been approved! Please find Council meeting minutes taken by Maddie and Eleanor by this link

<https://www.deerhurst.gloucs.sch.uk/school-council-2021-2022/> The children are looking forward to adding a new member from Reception in 2022.



### **Moles**

Does anyone know of anyone who can help us with our mole problem on the school field. Please get in touch if you do.

Well done Poppy for her brilliant effort at horse jumping. She showed us some of her rosettes that were awarded to her at The Ledbury Hunt.



In the run up to Christmas it has been important to get into the festive spirit in our PE lessons, so this week all the classes embraced the challenge of the Santa Dash. This event was organised by School Games, and across the country children took part in a short run around the school field wearing something festive. This national event was about joining together as a country to take part in something festive and active! The children all enjoyed it, even in the stormy conditions!

Classes 2 and 3 have also spent some time in the last few weeks learning a Christmas Dance in their PE lessons and Class 3 even got to show off their performance to Class 1. Great work Deerhurst and Apperley!

**Class Three** have enjoyed finding out about the artist David Hockney. After researching his life, they looked at his style, use of colour, line and pattern. They then used these ideas to create their own David Hockney inspired landscapes. Click on the link below for photographs of their work.

[Click Here](#)



### **Honours List**

Each week, awards for children's achievement will be presented in Celebration Assembly. We will also recognise children who have demonstrated our value for each term in the everyday life of our school - our value for Term 2 is Respect.



### **Award winners for w/c 29<sup>th</sup> November - 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

#### **Achievement:**

**Reception** - All of reception for fantastic hardwork during Enterprise. All of reception for their beautiful Nativity performance.

**Class 1** - All of class 1 for amazing effort and spirit during Enterprise. All of class 1 for their amazing Nativity performance.

**Class 2** - All of class 2 for their hard work during enterprise week and for being amazing at Puzzlewood. Kai for his amazing newspaper report.

**Class 3** - Class 3 for their amazing Knex Challenge eco-houses. Mary & Eden for their creative presentation of their colour investigation.

#### **Values:**

Reception - George, Poppy & Ernie,  
Class 1- Thomas & Ella, Leila & Sophie,  
Class 2- Imogen & Jess, Ed & Daniel,  
Class 3- Gabriel & Millie, Sophie & Maddie

### **Father Christmas**

Father Christmas came to visit all of the children in school after Christmas lunch. They were so excited to find some presents that he had left behind for them, Pre-School even sang him a song!





### Wellbeing Day

Wellbeing is embedded in school in all that we do and to make it even more special we held our annual wellbeing day this week. The children enjoyed many activities in their house groups moving around school. The day revolved around our school Five Ways To Wellbeing, **Connecting** with each other and learning the importance of being there for each other, **Give**, giving your time, words and presence, **Taking Notice**, remembering the simple things that give you joy, **keep Learning**, embracing and experiencing new opportunities and **Being Active**, doing what you can, enjoying it and moving your mood!



Congratulations to Olivia who has recently been awarded her 1 and 2 Octopus swimming award and her 10 metre swimming award! Well done Olivia.



### Class 3

Well done to all of class 3 who performed to Class2, a wonderful musical performance of both vocal and instruments. They have been working very hard during music lessons with Miss Jones. Well done to everyone!



### Little Deers news

- The Role play area at little Deers has been transformed into Santas workshop and the children have been busy dressing up and pretending to be as elves and Father Christmas to build toys, wrap presents and write Christmas cards. They made some salt dough Gingerbread men and painted them to use on our gingerbread stall.

The Preschool children were really excited to join the school children in their Christmassy hats for the Santa dash .

The Pantomime on Wednesday was really great with lots of singing and laughing - Fairy Blackthorn made Wilfred Jump.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Eleanor R who has passed her clarinet exam recently with a merit and Jonathan who has passed his piano exam gaining a distinction! Well done to both of you!

### Congratulations

A huge congratulations to Eden A-H (first prize) and Hope (third prize) who took part in the Creative Writing Competition in conjunction with Tewkesbury library. They have both won vouchers to spend at Alison's of Tekwesbury for their poetry and prose. Well done to both of them.



Congratulations to Sophie who has achieved her Level 2 swimming award and is now working on Level 3!



### Science Day

The whole school, along with Little Deers had a fantastic science session led by Mrs Salisbury (Hope's mum) and members of her biology team and technician from Dene Magna School in Mitcheldean. The children had a fantastic morning learning about keeping healthy and some children got to touch an animals heart and dissect it! It was an amazing experience with lots of learning and fun. Thank you to all the team for giving us such a unique experience.



### Thank You

A huge thank you to our governor Mrs Witney who has just finished the last Camp Kindness club. She will be running the club for Y3s next term followed by Y2s in Spring 2 2022.



### Christmas Lunch

Everyone enjoyed Christmas lunch listening to music and pulling crackers! Thank you to all the staff who helped deliver it!!



'And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!' Luke 2:13-14

Have a very Merry Christmas and a safe and peaceful New Year

From All the staff, pupils and governors at Deerhurst and Apperley C of E Primary School



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