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Friday 9th December 2022

This week's stars are:



Class 1 Dexter- for your amazing blending, reading and maths work.

Class 2: Jenul- for trying super hard in all he does and wowing us with his writing and maths.

Class 3: Damian- for your fab attitude and amazing reading!

Class 4: Noah- for working really hard and not giving up.

Class 1: This week Class 1 have been looking at all the sounds we have learned so far. We wrote our letters to Santa and walked to the Post Box to send them to him. When we came back we warmed up with some delicious hot chocolate and marshmallows. We have looked at shapes in Maths and have read Julia Donaldson's Stick Man, we even made our own.

Class 2: Wow what a week we have had! Lots of stories have been written about Claude's adventures in a different setting this week and I have been so impressed with some of the descriptive, exciting writing and ideas coming from your children!

Class 3: This week we are feeling quite Christmassy, the Panto on Tuesday, today Christmas lunch followed with a little party!

In Maths both years have continued to learn division and multiplication facts. In Geography we have found out about Tornadoes and how we can be affected by them. In English we have continued our descriptive writing and this has encouraged some children to challenge themselves by writing a full page! In Art we looked at the artist Georgia O'Keeffe and drew flowers in her 'Scaling' style.

Class 4: This week class for have been building ear defenders in science as part of their investigations into the properties of materials. On Tuesday afternoon the whole school have a fabulous time at the pantomime. On Wednesday morning, class 4 went to St Bridget's church to decorate the Lowca Community School tree as part of the Christmas tree festival. The children also spent the morning linking the church visit into their R.E learning by looking at symbols and rituals within Christianity. The children have continued looking at Scandinavia in Geography and have been busy using Publisher to produce tourist information leaflets. Our class web pages are coming along nicely and will be ready for publication soon. The class had a lovely time learning about street dancing in P.E.

The New Year 2023

As you are aware, Mrs. Colley will be leaving Lowca in her role as our executive head at the end of December and will be returning to being St. Bridget's Head full time, she wishes to say a massive 'thank you' to all the parents and staff for making her feel so welcome over this term and will miss us all very much.


Also, we are bidding a fond farewell to Mrs. Casey who is our class 2 teacher, and Mrs. Draper who is HLTA in C4.

We wish them all the very best as they move on to new and exciting opportunities and hope that they won't be strangers to us!

Mrs. Colley has been working with the new head Mrs. Walker so that Mrs. Walker can hit the ground running in January! In Class 2 (Y1 and 2) Miss Conroy will be taking over as their teacher until the end of summer term, she is well known to the school as she covered whilst Ms. Lawson was on sick. Miss Rawlinson will be class support with Miss Lawson in C4 full time for the first half of the term and Miss Henderson will be C1 support with Miss O'Neill full time for the first half of the term.

ABSENCES

Over the last 12 months we have had instances where parents and guardians have said their children are ill when they have actually been away on holiday. It would be better if a letter was sent into school telling us that your children will be away rather than us phoning parents/guardians and being told something different. We would rather know truthfully than be concerned over lack of contact and then it TRIGGER A SAFEGUARDING ACTION. We do usually have a good idea as the children either tell us about it before hand or when they get back, and also their fellow class mates usually inform us what is going on!! We are aware that it would be an unauthorized absence but it is safer for us to know what is really going on as we are legally obliged to flag this up if we do not have official notification. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

DATE AND TIME	EVENT
14 th December 	The Nativity - Will be held at St Bridget's Church at 6pm. Please can the children come for 5.30pm to get ready for the show. Mince pies and refreshments will be available afterwards at the church.
16 th December	NISC Puppet show for the whole school, 10.00am
20 th December	Finish for the Holidays at 1:15pm – Back in 8.45am on the 4th January 2023

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Ruth Colley. Tell: 01946 37

