

Newsletter

CAROL SERVICE AT CHURCH

On Thursday next week the whole school will be walking to Christchurch for the end of term carol service. If any parents, carers or grandparents are able to walk there and back with us we would be very grateful. We will be leaving school at approximately 1pm. There is no need to let us know if you are able to help, please just turn up.

YEAR 5 ARTS FESTIVAL ACTIVITY

The Y5 Arts Festival Collaborative activity is up and running around town, it's called Dream Jar-Go. This is a treasure hunt based activity that involves clues for the children to find the jars in shops around town. Please check the attached flyer for details.

PIRATES OF THE CURRY BEAN

Hawks and Eagles Christmas pantomime this year was fantastic. The children worked really hard and this showed in their outstanding performance. Thank you to all those who came to watch and for your support in helping them learn their lines and song words. Big thanks also go to Mrs Thomas and Mrs Smallwood for all their hard work on costumes, props and scenery.

MARY'S KNITTING

Year 1 and Year 2 children have been working really hard practising their Christmas performance 'Mary's Knitting'. After 4 weeks of rehearsals their hard work has paid off. The whole school, parents, carers and other friends and family have been able to see their stunning performance over the past two days. They have had seven songs to learn, and that is not taking into account the words of the individual actors. They have done a fantastic job - Well done KS1 you are all SUPERSTARS! Your teachers and parents are really proud of you.

Words of the week

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| Eagles | Dominate |
| Hawks | Cautious |
| Finches | Magnificent |
| Swifts | Intruder |
| Wrens | Accurately |
| Swans | Shakily |
| Hérons | Dormitory |

MAGICAL MATHS ASSEMBLY

On Monday next week there will be two Magical Maths assemblies. Parents are invited to come along and find out more details about 2 free clubs that will be starting in the New Year. The KS2 assembly will be at 9am followed by the KS1 assembly at 9.20am. The clubs will run on Tuesdays after school beginning on 10th January.

LUNCHTIMES

We would like to give children the opportunity to play co-operatively at lunchtimes. In order to do this we need more equipment for the children. If anyone can donate board games, lego, building blocks, books and any other equipment, please bring it into school.

Dates for the Diary

Robins Christmas Play – 12th December
 4+/KS1 Christmas Party – 13th December
 Choir at Coalville Library – 13th December
 KS2 Christmas Party – 14th December
 Christmas Dinner – 14th December
 Year 2 Christmas Journey – 14th December
 Carols & Readings at Christchurch – 15th December
 Last Day of Term – 16th December
 School Re-opens – 4th January 2017

ATTENDANCE

KS1 attendance award- The class with the best attendance
 Again was Robins. Well done!
 KS2 attendance award- The class with the best attendance this week again was Hawks
 Both classes will be looking after the attendance Yeti for the week.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

The children will be having their Christmas parties next week – see dates for the diary for which days. Instead of bringing in clothes to change into, they can come to school dressed in party clothes on the day of their party but please can we stress that they must have sensible shoes to wear as they will still be going outside at break time and lunchtime.

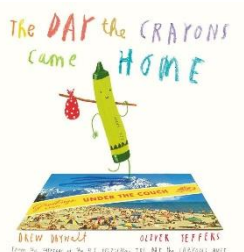


UK LITERACY ASSOCIATION BOOK AWARDS

Throughout the year we are going to be shadowing the United Kingdom Literacy Association book awards. Children will be given the opportunity to read the books on the list and decide which one they think should win. Here are a couple of the books that are on the long list which children might enjoy over the next few weeks.

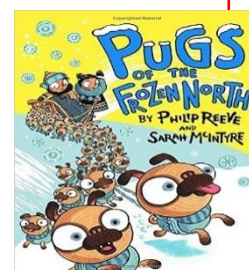
EYFS and Key Stage 1

The Day the Crayons Came Home by Drew Daywelt and Oliver Jeffers
Some awful things have happened to Duncan's crayons as they explain on the postcards which they send him. This wonderful book takes the underdogs of children's possessions and gives them a vivid life of their own.



Key Stage 2

Pugs of the Frozen North by Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre



The best way to save 66 pugs jettisoned from an icebound ship is to win the once in a lifetime great sled race to the North Pole. The prize is your heart's desire, but could a pug powered sled possibly win? Read it and see. Pugs of the Frozen North is perfect for all children who are developing stamina as readers but older children and adults will certainly try to get it for themselves.