



WALLISDEAN

FEDERATED SCHOOLS

#### Christmas at Wallisdean

We have had a lot of Christmas fun in Pre-School over the last two weeks. We have read festive stories such as The Jolly Christmas Postman and Father Christmas Needs a Wee. The children have been creative using pinecones and seeds to make bird feeders. Decorations have been made using sparkly gems and these were hung on the Pre-School Christmas tree. The children have role-played at the 'Hot Chocolate Stand', counted buttons on snowmen and decorated gingerbread men. We joined Yr R for a magical visit from Twinkle McJingles the Elf.

The Pre-School Elves were delighted to see so many children at the Christmas party where we danced, played games and had some party food. All of the children have also received a lovely Christmas present thanks to WFA.











In Year R we started the Christmas fun with a welcome to winter jumper day which coincided with a visit from our parents to make calendars for next year. Thank you to all the parents that came, and the help you gave all of the children in the classes. In maths we have been learning about pattern, making snowflakes, painted candy canes, threading beads and making paper chains. Then we were visited by Twinkle McJingles, she was a bit of a naughty Elf and nearly ruined Christmas. Luckily, we were there to help put things right.









This half term we have had many different events and activities around Christmas in Year 1. This year, we performed the play 'A Dancing Christmas Party'. We all practised really hard to learn the songs and our lines ready to perform to our adults. We also had the chance to make some Christmas calendars with our adults, we needed to be really resilient with our cutting and joining skills. In preparation for our school tree, we made some decorations to go on it. Crocodiles made bells and Elephants made stocking.











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We have had very busy time in Year 2 completing many Christmas activities. We worked hard to learn our lines and songs for our Christmas Nativity at the church and were excited to perform to our adults. Year 2 had a calendar workshop with their adults where they were able to use their sewing skills to create a penguin, a polar bear or a lion. We were also busy using our art skills to create Christmas tree ornaments covered in glitter. We used these to decorate our Christmas tree in the hall and will be able to take them home on the last day of term. Finally, we are looking forward to our Christmas cooking extravaganza in the last week of school and cannot wait to bring these home too along with the rest of our Christmas creations.













Junior School Christmas Enterprise was once again a big success and the children had a great time making and fulfilling all of the orders, we all felt like elves helping Santa. The children even had time to fit in some rehearsals during their music lessons to prepare for the Christmas concert. They have learnt four songs to perform to their audience and were really excited to share them with their adults. Each class also performed a poem that they had either learnt or written themselves. The songs included some well known classics as well as traditional carols to get everyone in the Christmas mood. Thank you to all the staff who helped to make these things such a success.



This half-term Year 6 have had the opportunity to 'grow a £1" to raise funds for curriculum enrichment opportunities. There have been some great ideas for this such as: car washing. a drinks sale. tidying/dusting bedrooms, making cakes and biscuits, 3D printing and selling sweets for a movie night. Overall the total money raised is £435.53. Well done to all the children who took part in this and for the support and encouragement from family and friends.







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On 18th December, some of our Mini Military children were lucky enough to attend a day of activities at Fort Nelson. They took part in some festive activities including; A Traditional Christmas Pantomime Christmas crafts. A Christmas Wish Trail, exploring the tunnels, completing an activity booklet and writing and posting their Christmas Wish. Victorian Parlour games. Tell a Victorian Christmas Story as a group with actions. We had a lovely festive day, including singing Christmas songs.







## 2024 RAFFLE

A huge thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets this year. We raised an incredible £1,900 across the federation for the Wallisdean Friends Association.



# GOLDEN CHRISTMAS DINNER



We ended term with a delicious 'Golden Ticket'
Christmas dinner.

The winners are:
Frank, Amelia, Joshua, Jake,
Peyton, Cherish,
Samuel and Emily

