

NEWSLETTER



The Forest Family

Awards

15h December 2023

ALL SAINTS

Of the Week

Class 1: **Bayden** Class 2: **Amelia** Class 3: **Harvey** Class 4: **Cal**

Of the Term

Class 1: **Ginny** Class 2: **Felicity** Class 3: **Charlotte** Class 4: **Lucie**

Badges: ★ **Mila (Silver Star)**

Headteacher awards: **Sophie, Isa, Natty**

Writer of the Week: **Aaisla (C4)**

NEEDWOOD

Of the Week

Class 1: **Ronnie & William** Class 2: **Verity** Class 3: **Millie**










Of the Term

Class 1: **Margaux** Class 2: **Grace** Class 3: **Bea**

Badges: ★ **Lilly (Silver Star)**

Headteacher awards: **Albie, Sebastian, Verity**

Writer of the Week: **Finn J**

 JOY - <i>Alex Star</i>	 LOVE - <i>Ella G Lochlan</i>	 PEACE - <i>Clara Dillon</i>
 GOODNESS - <i>Mila William</i>	 FAITHFULNESS - <i>Romilly</i>	 PATIENCE - <i>MRS YOUNG Orlan</i>
 KINDNESS - <i>Pippa Evie</i>	 SELF CONTROL - <i>Sebastian (C2) Jude</i>	 GENTLENESS - <i>Ella B Rafe</i>

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Dear Parents,

As this is the last newsletter of the year, I would like to use this opportunity to thank you for your support and wish you all a very merry Christmas. I would also like to thank all of the children and staff for making both of our wonderful schools so special.

Good luck to the children next week who will be doing their Christmas performances in school. I'm sure they will put on a great show!

I hope all of our families have a restful break and we look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday the 8th January.

Have a great weekend,

Best wishes

Mr Matthew Baxter



ATTENDANCE - OF THE WEEK

ALL SAINTS

CLASS 1 - 90%

CLASS 2 - 94%

CLASS 3 - 99%

CLASS 4 - 98%

NEEDWOOD

CLASS 1 - 100%

CLASS 2 - 99%

CLASS 3 - 94%

ATTENDANCE - OF THE TERM

ALL SAINTS

CLASS 1 - 96%

CLASS 2 - 95%

CLASS 3 - 96%

CLASS 4 - 97%

NEEDWOOD

CLASS 1 - 98%

CLASS 2 - 98%

CLASS 3 - 97%

WELL DONE CHILDREN!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

DIARY - ALL SAINTS

19.12.23	JTMAT CONCERT
20.12.23	CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES EYFS & KS1 10.00 AM MORNING PERFORMANCE 2.00 PM AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE
21.12.23	CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY (NOT FOR CHARITY) PANTOMIME IN SCHOOL
22.12.23	LAST DAY OF TERM
8.1.24	BACK TO SCHOOL
29/30.1.24	BIKEABILITY YEARS 4 & 5
9.2.24	PANCAKE RACE 2.45 PM
7.3.24	WORLD BOOK DAY
19.3.24	EASTER SERVICE 9.15 AM
3.7.24	SPORTS DAY AM
18.7.24	LEAVERS AND FINAL CELEBRATION 1.30 PM

DIARY - NEEDWOOD

18.12.23	CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES 2.00 PM AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE 5.30 PM EVENING PERFORMANCE
19.12.23	JTMAT CONCERT
21.12.23	CHRISTMAS PARTY/CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY
22.12.23	LAST DAY OF TERM
8.1.24	BACK TO SCHOOL
9.2.24	PANCAKE RACE 9.15 AM
9.2.24	SCHOOL DISCO
7.3.24	WORLD BOOK DAY
19.3.24	EASTER SERVICE 2.30 PM
4.7.24	SPORTS DAY AM
17.7.24	LEAVERS AND FINAL CELEBRATION 1.30 PM

OPENING AND BLESSING OF THE PRAYER GARDEN - NEEDWOOD

What a special occasion this was! The worship team presented a wonderful worship for the whole school, explaining the creation of the garden. This included how much support they had received from Jordan Lambert and Uttoxeter Churches Together. Jordan and his team provided materials and hard labour to create the base and certain pieces of the garden. If you have been following out 'X' feed you will have seen some of this in progress. We invited some special guests to the worship, Mrs Wendy Reece, Mr and Mrs Shah and Neev, Mr John Harrison and Jordan.

The prayer garden has a memorial board, with two plaques, one in memory of Reverend Les Rees and the other in memory of Viyan Shah, a past pupil at our school. The worship team wrote key words and phrases on the memorial board that reminded them of these two special people. The worship was followed by the official opening of the garden and prayers led by Mr Harrison, Jordan and Mrs Reece.

The children are very much looking forward to using the prayer garden!





Our last Forest School session was fabulous. Incredibly, the rain of the last few days kept away and the weather was dry and bright. The children got into the Christmas spirit with a vengeance. After collecting their reindeer leaf antlers from the forest floor they started making their Christmas cards and decorating their wooden cookies. We do have their curly reindeer antlers in school to go onto their wooden cookies if they wish to take them as we ran out of time to attach these.

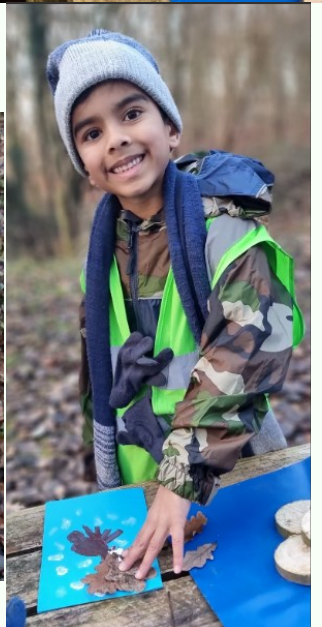
We didn't however, run out of time for hot chocolate and marshmallows!

These year 2 children have been delightful and hopefully they will continue to enjoy the splendour of the great outdoors regardless of the weather - just suitable clothing.

May I take the opportunity to wish everyone a very happy Christmas and the end of term is very near. Very best wishes.

Mrs G. Spencer
Forest School Leader





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12 Top Tips for Children and Young People to Enjoy a TECH-FREE CHRISTMAS

The Christmas holidays are tailor made for families to enjoy relaxed quality time in each other's company – but with distractions like pinging phone notifications, the lure of games consoles and online Boxing Day sales, that can be more difficult than it sounds. Staying off our phones, laptops and tablets, however, can really help us to appreciate the things that genuinely matter at this special time of year. Follow our 12 top tips for a tech-free festive season ... Yule be glad you did! Merry Christmas!

CHRISTMAS CRAFTING

Get out the paper, glue and scissors and have a go at hand-making cards or gift tags. You could also create your own decorations to add a uniquely personal touch to the Christmas tree.

NATURE QUEST

Try a scavenger hunt in the garden or your local park. Challenge yourself and your family to find natural treasures that are symbolic of this time of year – like holly or pinecones, say.

CAROL KARAOKE

Sing your hearts out with a Christmas carol karaoke night. Pick out your favourite tunes and enjoy a musical celebration with family and friends.

WANDER DOWN MEMORY LANE

How about making a scrapbook filled with your favourite memories from Christmases gone by? Unleash your creativity while you enjoy reliving those magical holiday moments.

TRY REFLECTIVE JOURNALLING

Jot down your thoughts, feelings and reflections on the holiday in a notebook or diary – you could also list some of your main goals for the new year.

WRAP IT UP

Take time to get inventive with some luxurious gift wrapping. Break out the wrapping paper, ribbons and bows to make parcelling up those presents into a creative adventure.

WALK IN A WINTER WONDERLAND

Delight in the great outdoors with some gentle walks over the holiday. The family can all wrap up warm as you add to your step count and savour the crisp winter air together.

BE A SEASONAL CHEF

Get the whole family working together in the kitchen for some Christmas cooking. Choose a recipe and whip up a festive feast that all of you can enjoy.

ENJOY A CHRISTMAS STORY

Christmas is a perfect time for sparkling stories. Get cosy and lose yourself in a brilliant book, from Dickens to Dr Seuss or a more modern favourite by Chris van Allsburg or Tom Fletcher.

SNOWY SCULPTURES

If we're fortunate enough to get a white Christmas this year, make the most of the opportunity by having a family snowman-building competition!

GAMES NIGHT GALA

Dive into some old-school fun with a tech-free games night. Classic board games and card games have stood the test of time for a reason!

GOODWILL TO ALL

You and your family could spend a day volunteering – perhaps at a food bank or helping a local charity. After all, kindness and thinking of others are part of what Christmas is all about.

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CHRISTMAS
in Rangemore
2023

Friday
22nd December
**CAROLS BY
TRACTOR LIGHT**

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Our festive tractor and trailer will tour Rangemore Parish with pre-recorded seasonal carols

Visiting from 6.00pm - 7.30pm
Cuckoo Cage Lane - Tatenhill Common - Chapel Lane -
Wilmore Lane - Rangemore Hall & Mews finishing at Rangemore Church where there will be

**CAROL SINGING
& REFRESHMENTS**

COME AND JOIN US

The Church will be open throughout serving hot mulled wine and mince pies

Sunday 31st December
**CHURCH
CAROL SERVICE**
from 11.15am
(Donations in aid of Rangemore Church welcomed)

SPORTING PB

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FOOTBALL & DODGEBALL CAMP

Richard Wakefield First School, Burton Street, DE13 9DH
Thursday 4th January & Friday 5th January
9:00am - 3:30pm

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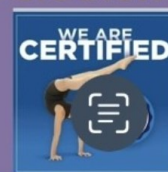
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