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# Newsletter

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Week 8 Term 2

## ..... only 7 days until Christmas!



This is the last newsletter for this year and marks the end of a year like no other! Your children have shown great resilience as they have managed the disruption since March 2020. I am sure it has not been easy to cope with all the changes or disruption, but they have worked so hard and we are very proud of every one of them. Rest assured that as we return in January, the staff will continue to do all they can to ensure that each and every one of the children achieves their full potential as the year progresses.

I would also like to take the opportunity of thanking you all for your support during this year – your patience and support has been much appreciated. The many, many kind messages of support we have received have really made a difference, so thank you.

## Upcoming dates for your diary

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – Term 3 begins
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February – End of term 3
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February – INSET Day (school closed to children)



## Attendance



Attendance for the year so far is 97.3%  
This is well above the national average which is excellent!



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## Best Wishes

We send our very best wishes to Mr. Hipkiss and his wife on the birth of their new baby boy who arrived on 6<sup>th</sup> December, weighing a healthy 7 pounds and 12 ounces. Mum and baby (and Mr Hipkiss) are both doing well!! ☺

## House Value Points

House winners (week ending 04.12.2020) –  
Cook ☺

House winners (week ending 11.12.2020) –  
Cook ☺



## Christingle

The children were really happy to be able to participate in our traditional Christingle assemblies. It was little different this year, as we could not celebrate all together, but had to have a number of individual 'bubble' assemblies which were socially distanced – nevertheless it was beautiful to see the candles flickering in the hall whilst listening to Christmas carols.



### **Message from the Governing Body**

I wanted to write to you to wish you a Merry Christmas!

This term has been a challenging and busy one for us all and I would like to thank you for your continued support.

Despite the evident challenges, the staff at the school have worked tirelessly to ensure that the children have continued to have a great time and not miss out on big events such as their Nativity performance and Christmas celebrations.

As a governing body, we have recruited two new governors to join the team and have still been able to carry out our monitoring of the School.

It is always so wonderful to hear how the fantastic children of The Discovery School are doing and we are very proud of each and every one of them.

Whatever you have planned for the festive period, I wish you good health and happiness.

Happy New Year to you all, looking forward to seeing you in 2021.

**Annabel Cornall**  
– Chair of Governors –

### **Poppy Day Collection**



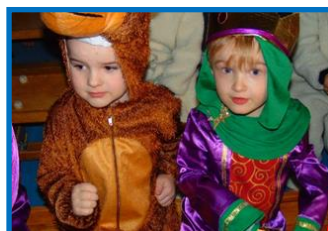
Thank you for your support for our recent non-uniform day in aid of The British Royal Legion.

The Discovery School raised an amazing £873.49 for this very worthwhile charity.

### **Super Star Corner**

Well done to Year R for their amazing Nativity play. Unfortunately, we were not able to invite parents into school to watch the Nativity this year, but we were able to film it for parents to watch at home. Many thanks to Chris and Katie at School of Panto for their invaluable help with this!

Well done EYFS - We are very proud of you all! ☺



Thank you to Liberty Property Trust for supplying the School with the beautiful Christmas tree located at the front of our school.

Wishing you all a joyful holiday – a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all of the staff at The Discovery School!

With kind regards,

*T. Gobell*

Miss T Gobell  
Headteacher

