



*"With Christ as our guide we let our light shine."*

## *A Message from Mrs. Blicow...*

Dear Parent/Carers,

The wet and windy weather this week hasn't stopped the children and some of the adults, get out and about and active. For the adults it was Outdoor Learning Training (in the pouring rain) while some of our Year 5 children represented the school playing Hockey in the Pacesetter Games.

In our assemblies this week the children talked about the importance of being kind and respectful. They also continued to explore the virtue of Hope. We discussed that you practice hopefulness when you dream about how things could be better in our world. When you show belief in mankind even when we are disappointed by the actions of others and ourselves. The children gave examples of this in the good deeds that they do, for example when they donate to charities or the foodbank, to make things better for those people they see as being less fortunate, or when they care for the environment. There truly is Hope when our children recognise it in the little things they do to make things better, keeping God's vision of the Kingdom of God at the heart of their own visions for the future.

*Have a wonderful week*

*Mrs Blicow*

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## Term Dates

### Advent Term

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022

Year 2 – St. Andrew's Assembly

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 9am

Reception Assembly

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Pantomime – Snow White

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December

EYFS/KS1 Nativity

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December

KS2 - Carols Around The Tree

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

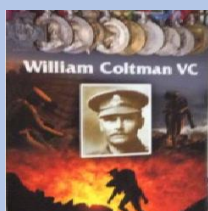
Term Ends

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

## WWI Assembly

### A Tribute To A Decorated Soldier

Wyn Williams is always a firm favourite when he visits the school for assemblies. This week he visited Year 6 when he outlined the experiences of William Coltman, the most decorated British non-commissioned officer in WW1. He told the children what William did to be awarded the honours, despite never firing a shot, and what life was like in that war. He also detailed why he did what he did - because he was a Christian. The children, who have been studying the WWII conflict, then got asked questions about this remarkable man. The presentation is very personal to Mr Williams, as William Coltman was the grandfather of a friend of his.



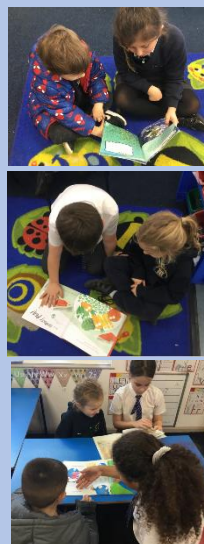
## Mini Vinnies



This week, the children of Year 4 received their Mini Vinnies certificate from the 'junior arm' of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The Society are a voluntary organisation dedicated to tackling poverty in all its forms. The Mini Vinnies, children between the ages of 7-11, turn their concern into action as they use the simple formula of '**see, think, do**' to find people in need and help them. Having sung last week at the Remembrance service in Nazareth House, the children have already started carrying out their mission

## Reading Ambassadors Share Their Love of Reading



Reading Ambassadors are chosen for their love of reading, their willingness to share this passion with others and enthusiasm to promote reading. Earlier this week they met up with the children in Reception class, where they buddied up and shared a story or two. While demonstrating exemplary reading behaviours and acting as excellent role models, the children of Year 5 are helping to support their peers as well as working on their own oracy skills.



### Christmas Fair

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

2022, 3.30 – 6PM

Stalls include tombolas, raffle, children's games/ toys Santa's Grotto and lots more  
*Thank you for your support.  
Any further donations can be handed into the school office.*

### Open Morning Prospective Reception Parents Academic Year 2023/2024

All are welcome to an informal meeting on  
**Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> December**  
**10am – 11am**



## Pacesetter Games - Hockey



Fourteen of our Year 5 pupils represented the school at the Pacesetter Games Hockey competition this week. Both teams showed off their skills coming 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> overall in the competition. Well done everyone.

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