

King's Oak Academy

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Christmas has ramped up this week as the rehearsals are in full swing for the KS1 Christmas concerts. I love hearing the Christmas songs as I walk around the school. We are also looking forward to our Christmas party tonight, where the big man himself is paying us a visit! Christmas is continuing on Monday when we will be having our Christmas lunch. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will just order lunch as normal. Year 3 will need to send in £2.30 in a named envelop if they wish to have Christmas lunch. Have a lovely weekend and we are looking forward to seeing you on Monday.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Monday 10th December	Christmas lunch (£2.30 for Yr3)
Tuesday 11th December	Year 3 trip— Bristol Museum
Monday 17th December	Reception Christ- mas concert— 1:30pm
Tuesday 18th December	Reception Christ- mas concert— 9:15am. Year 1 concert — 1:30pm
Wednesday 19th December	Year 1 Christmas concert — 9:15am. Year 2 Christmas concert — 1:30pm
Thursday 20th December	Year 2 Christmas concert — 9:15am
Friday 21st December	Dress as an elf or wear a Christmas jumper day. School finishes at 1pm

Principal's Notice

Mr Clutterbuck comes over to the Acorn frequently throughout the week and spends time looking at the learning and speaking to the children. This week he has noticed:

Due to a busy week of meetings and commitments Mr Clutterbuck hasn't been able to come over to the Acorn as much this week.

Christmas concerts

The children are busy rehearsing their Christmas concerts and we would love you all to attend. The concerts are on the following dates:

Reception: Monday 17th December at 1:30pm and
Tuesday 18th December at 9:15am.

Year 1: Tuesday 18th December at 1:30pm and
Wednesday 19th December at 9:15am

Year 2: Wednesday 19th December at 1:30pm and
Thursday 20th December at 9:15am.

There is no need to book tickets. The children have worked really hard on their performances, so if you bring younger siblings please be willing to remove them if they start to make too much noise.

Mental Health training

Mrs Baker will be running a course of parent workshops about mental health awareness and supporting your child with mental health issues. The course will run over three sessions. The dates for these sessions are Thursday 17th January, Thursday 24th January and Thursday 31st January from 2-3pm. If you would like to attend the course, please email Mrs Baker on bakern@kingsoakacademy.org.uk. We can accommodate 10 parents but will run further sessions if the demand is there.



Dress as an Elf Day

We will be supporting the Alzheimer's Society again this year and holding a 'Dress as an Elf' day on Friday 21st December. Children can wear Christmas jumpers or Christmas fancy dress on Friday 21st December for a suggested donation of £1. We will be finishing school at 1pm on the 21st De-



Mountain of learning

- 🌟 Ashleigh has been a linking spider and using her phonics learning to help her read her books at home.
- 🌟 Ellisia has taken on the challenge of being a wonderful singer in the nativity.
- 🌟 Jack was a stickability tortoise and worked hard at subtraction.
- 🌟 Laylah was a linking spider and has started using her sounds to help her blend words.
- 🌟 Harlow has written some fantastic descriptions of her new characters using great similies.
- 🌟 Ivy has been a creative unicorn when inventing a new character.
- 🌟 Hannah has been a linking spider when applying her phonics to read unfamiliar words.
- 🌟 Katie has been a stickability tortoise when using her neatest writing.
- 🌟 Eva has been a linking spider when using her phonics to read unfamiliar words.
- 🌟 Tommy has been a stickability tortoise in gym; being brave when trying new moves.
- 🌟 Charlie has had a great first week and has made lots of new friends.
- 🌟 Zayn has been a linking spider in maths using addition facts to help him subtract.
- 🌟 Georgia has been a creative unicorn this week using a wide list of vocabulary when writing her fire poem.
- 🌟 Emily has worked so hard with her writing in a small group.
- 🌟 Aleia has tried incredibly hard this week with her maths, using the column method to add and subtract.
- 🌟 Alfie has been a creative unicorn when writing the first chapter of 'The Time Travelling Cat' using great adjectives and similies.
- 🌟 Amelia has worked really hard on her story, thinking carefully about the vocabulary.
- 🌟 Nyle has worked hard all week, especially with his handwriting.

Attendance award: Well done to Catkin class with 98.5% attendance —amazing, keep it up!

House point challenge: Orpheus (blue) were the best house this week.

Speech and Language

I have regular liaison meetings with our speech and language therapist. These meetings are a chance for us to raise concerns about children's speech and language, either their pronunciation of sounds or their understanding of the language. After a discussion, the therapist will either make a recommendation to refer to the service or provide us with some resources to support the child in school. We would like to trial a new system next time and offer a drop in session for families to come and discuss their concerns with the therapist. The drop in session will be held on Thursday 24th January between 2pm and 3pm, we will be offering 4 slots. If you would like to book a slot please email the office on primary@kingsoakacademy.org.uk.

