



Little Phoenix



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Mrs Speight's message ...

As I write the final newsletter of 2021, I can hear the children excitedly talking about their bold elves. Some of them have wrapped the tree with toilet paper and the children were shocked by such defiant behaviour! Liz Million inspired the children at the beginning of the week with festive drawing workshops, I'm sure the children have shared with you the delights of the day. Feeling cheerful has been the predominant theme in Pre-Prep with all of the team ensuring that every day is a fun day for the children. Many thanks for the delicious donations for our Christmas Campaign, the assembled hampers have made us feel extremely humble and grateful for all that we have received. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the team for their hard work, dedication and commitment to the children. It is a privilege to work with such fantastic colleagues who always prioritise the education and well being of our pupils. Wishing you a safe and peaceful Christmas with families and friends. I look forward to seeing you in the New Year at the beginning of 2022, where did 2021 go? Warmest wishes,

Joanne Speight



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Merry Christmas!

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the children in EYFS!



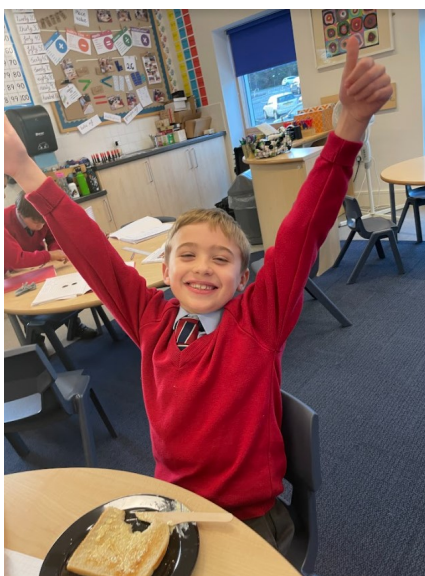
Taking Time To Stop and Notice

In Year One we took time to pause as we prepared for Christmas. Inspired by the thought provoking text 'Last Stop on Market Street' by Matt De La Pena, we went on a gratitude walk and noticed the beauty in the everyday things that surround us. Through the lens of our careful, observant eyes we wondered at the silver trails left by an aeroplane, red berries, pictures in the clouds, the winter sun, patterns in the bark on the trees and the smell of our lunch being prepared! With the holidays arriving we are all looking forward to taking time to look around and be grateful for these things. We have also been busy sorting our contributions for the community Christmas hampers and thinking of others.



Toast Cafe

What a treat in Year 2! To complete our maths topic on money, the children were invited to the Year 2 Toast Cafe. They had to choose what they would like to buy, based on the amount of money they had brought to school. Afterwards, they had to total their bill and present the correct coins. As a challenge, some children had to tell us how much change they needed. As you can see from the photographs, the children had such a wonderful, delicious time and have requested we make it a regular event. Once the cafe was finished, some had to total up the proceeds and then we chose a new book for the Year 2 classrooms. Thank you for your support.





Calendar 2022/2023

Autumn Term, 2022

- Preparation Day Tuesday, 30th August 2022
- New Pupil Induction Day Wednesday, 31st August 2022
- All pupils return Thursday, 1st September 2022
- ½ term begins Friday, 14th October 2022 (after school)
- Pupils return Monday, 31st October 2022
- Finish Wednesday, 14th December 2022 (after school)

Spring Term, 2023

- Pupils return Thursday, 5th January 2023
- ½ term begins Thursday, 16th February 2023 (after school)
- INSET 1 Friday, 17th February 2023
- Pupils return Monday, 27th February 2023
- Finish Friday, 31st March 2023 (after school)

Summer Term, 2023

- Pupils return Thursday, 20th April 2023
- Bank Holiday Monday, 1st May 2023
- ½ term begins Thursday, 25th May 2023 (after school)
- INSET 2 Friday, 26th May 2023
- Pupils return Monday, 5th June 2023
- Finish Friday, 7th July 2023

Reindeer Run

The children loved putting on their antlers on Thursday to raise money for Teesside Hospice!

If you would like to sponsor the children for this great cause, please kindly follow the link below. Please share the link with any family or friends who may also wish to sponsor the children.

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