



OXTON ST SAVIOUR'S NEWS



Newsletter - December 2022

'Do not be afraid nor be dismayed. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go' - Joshua 1:9



It has been a very busy term for our staff and pupils. In the midst of our teaching and learning, preparation for all our festivities, competitions, church celebrations and community activities, we are mindful of the need to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. People all over the world will be celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ and sharing in the joy that this brings. Our pupils and families have given generously to support charities both nationally and locally. Children in need, Hope Church and Charles Thompson mission. **The children return to school on Thursday 5th January.** On behalf of the Governors and all staff I would like to wish you a restful Christmas and a New Year of health and happiness.

Mr Ramsden

A Higgledy Piggledy Nativity

Last week the children in F2 and KS1 performed their annual Christmas Nativity and what a wonderful, uplifting show it was. The children were fantastic and so enthusiastic! Thank you to all those involved in putting together these wonderful performances.



Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

Thank you to all who donated to the Hope Café (Christ Church Liverpool) shoe box appeal. The response and generosity shown was incredible!

Festive Cheer!

The pupils in Yr 4, along with those pupils in KS2 who have 1:1 instrumental lessons, have been recording their festive musical talents this week with their music teacher, Miss Alleyne. The recording will be uploaded onto the website this week so watch this space!



We have decorated two of the windows in church related to two different Christmas carols; One in Royal David's City and Little Donkey. If you go to St Saviour's Church over the festive period please look out for these wonderful creations.

Flavour School



We have had a very busy Autumn term in flavour school. Year 1 favourites were making apple crumble with Mr Ross' fallen apples and bon-fire baked potatoes with cream cheese and chives. F2 have learnt so much too. We now know how to use a knife safely to cut and we have used a pastry brush for our jam tarts and a whisk when making our Christmas trifle.



Claire House Visit



KS1 & KS2 had a very special assembly earlier this month.

Emma and Claire Bear came to tell us all about the amazing work this charity does. Emma told us all about their 'Young Person Volunteering award scheme' which gives children the opportunity to fundraise for this amazing charity.

Further details can be found on <https://www.clairehouse.org.uk/jobs/volunteering-awards/> or please contact Emma at Claire House or speak to Mrs Wilkinson.

COST OF LIVING & FREE SCHOOL MEALS

The current cost of living crisis is having a major impact in many communities nationwide.

We would like to remind all parents that they might be eligible for Free School Meals. This not only means that your child receives a free school dinner each day, but we can also offer half price on school trips and after school clubs, as we receive additional funding.

This doesn't mean that your child is required to have a school dinner if they want a packed lunch but this will give them the same entitlement as other pupils.

Please click on this [link](#) to see if you are eligible.



Our heartfelt congratulations go to Miss Shaw who will be welcoming a little bundle of joy into the world, early Summer 2023. We wish her and her husband all the very best for precious times ahead.



Learning & Giving

As part of their DT topic Years 5 and 6 have evaluated various branded soups before designing their own recipes which were based on winter vegetable and tomato and lentil soup.

The children were thrilled with their creations and also made extra to take to the Charles Thompson Mission who were really grateful and said they had received many positive compliments from the centre's visitor's. A great big thank you goes to Leo's Mum for her chef's expertise and for spending two afternoons in school cooking with the children—we couldn't have done it without your help!



A Christmas Prayer

May the blessing of joy abide within you;
May the blessing of peace rest upon you;
May the blessing of love flow out through you;
May all the blessings of the Lord be yours at Christmas and in the new year.

