



Welcome back!

We trust you all had a fun filled and enjoyable festive holiday. It was great to see all of the children back in school on Tuesday with big smiles, full of enthusiasm and ready to learn. We heard lots of excited children talking about their Christmas break and sharing stories about what they got up too over the past two weeks. From all of the staff we would like to wish you all a Happy New Year!

What's been happening?!

Stomp

The children in Maple Class began their music sessions with Silas Mosbacher from South Glos Music Hub on Wednesday. The children used a range of percussion instruments and household objects to create music. Cement buckets with beaters, brushes, plastic cups, agogoes and the children's bodies were used to make music, hold a beat, explore rhythm and tempo and generally have a good time!! The children particularly liked the beat boxing. Over the ten week block of Stomp sessions the children will develop a range of musical skills which will be shared with the school and their families in a performance assembly. More information to follow shortly. Silas commented after the session about how well behaved and polite the children were and what great attitudes they had towards their learning. ***Well Done Maple Class!***

Bristol Hippodrome

On Wednesday, children from Holly, Hazel and Pine Class headed to Bristol city centre to the Hippodrome to watch Aladdin. Two coaches took 103 of us to the theatre where we were all treated to a great show. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance and coped well with the scary gorilla at the beginning! They were very excited by the 3D effects and giggled infectiously to some of the-slap stick comedy.



'I liked Wishy Washy, he was funny!' **Bella Year 2**
'I loved it when Wishy Washy sat on the stool and the spike went up his bottom, it made me laugh!' **Ronnie Year 2**
'I really liked the baddy. I also like the 3D part when the snakes and spiders came out at us. I was not scared!' **Oscar Year 2**

For your Information

Year 6 Bag Packing

On Saturday 16th December a group of children from Oak Class went to Waitrose in Keynsham to pack bags. They had a rota system in place with shifts of an hour or so long. The children held buckets covered in tinsel and helped the members of the public to pack their shopping away. The children raised an incredible £400.11 to go towards their trip to London.



Jack Whittington

On Thursday 25th January we have 'M and M Productions' coming into school to perform the story of Jack Whittington. This is one of two theatre companies that will be visiting us over the next two terms. The Friends of Redfield Edge have kindly donated money to cover some of the cost and we will be asking for a small donation to ensure both performances can go ahead. More details will follow in due course.



School Nurse Visit

On Monday the school nurse will be coming into school to carry out the school entry health checks for Reception children. This will include growth monitoring, vision and hearing screening. Letters were sent home before Christmas. This is to remind parents of Holly Class children to let the school office know if they DON'T want their child to take part.



Office

Please can all parents ensure that their payments for school meals and clubs are up to date. If anybody has any problems accessing the online payment system, please contact the school office. **Tel: 01454867165**

Congratulations!



Dates for your diary!

DATE	EVENT
Mon 8 th Jan	School Nurse in to weigh the children in Holly Class
Tues 9 th Jan	Year 4 Ukulele lessons
Wed 10 th Jan	Local PCSO to visit Holly, Hazel & Pine Class Year 5 'Stomp' music session Beech Class Cake Sale @ 3.30pm
Thurs 11 th Jan	Willow Class swimming Pine Class assembly 10.20am
Tues 16 th Jan	Year 4 Ukulele lessons
Weds 17 th Jan	Year 5 'Stomp' music session
Thurs 18 th Jan	Governor Day Willow Class swimming
Fri 19 th Jan	Maple Class visit the Houses of Parliament Edgelets 9.30 - 11 am