



Wednesday 20th December 2023

Dear Parent/Carers,

We have made it to the end of our first full term as part of Consortium Trust and it has been a busy and productive few months. This half term has been an absolute feast of festivities and we haven't been able to stop smiling and singing.

Christmas started early with the Warren Association Christmas Fayre, when Father Christmas visited us for the first time. At the beginning of December, parents and carers were invited in to 'get their glitter on' with the children. There were decorations galore, and I think the shimmer will remain in the carpet until the new year.

Mid-month, classes 10 and 11 joined St. Mark's church for a carol concert, where Owen read beautifully, and they all joined in with the singing. The festivities continued with our whole-school Christmas lunch. It was wonderful to see everyone gathered together in the hall, with music, candles, crackers and, of course, a hundred or more cracker jokes.

Classes 2, 5 and 8 have been busy rehearsing all month with our 'Sing Up' visitors from Marina Theatre. Class 1 have been working with Daisy on their own musical extravaganza. All of this came together with Emma leading us in a Christmas sing and sign to finish the year off properly, at our 'Carols and Cocoa' afternoon.

Well almost...

It wouldn't be Christmas without one last visit from Father Christmas and his penguin friend, delivering gifts, hugs and love to all the children, before judging the sleigh competition.

On behalf of the Leadership Team, we would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas, and health and happiness for the new year.

Kate Binding and Sue Phipps

I am delighted to advise the school community that following a full and competitive recruitment process I have appointed Kelly Bland as the new Academy Head at Warren School.

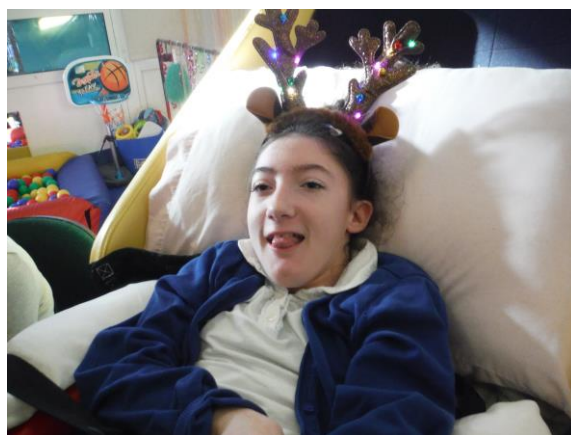
Kelly will take up post after Easter, but is already working with me and staff at the school. Kelly will introduce herself in a newsletter after Christmas and we will arrange her to attend a parent engagement meeting in the spring term.

Andrew Aalders-Dunthorne
CEO
Consortium Trust

Class 1

Class 1 have been feeling Christmassy outside by having a lovely trip to Carlton Marshes to see the winter wildlife. We have had Christmas Jumper day and Christmas lunch on Thursday.

We wish you a Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Class 2

Class 2 have been making Christmas cards and decorating the tree. On Thursday we all had Christmas dinner together staff and pupils which was wonderful. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Class 3

Class 3 have enjoyed an afternoon full of Christmas craft and delights. These include icing biscuits and topped with sprinkles. They have made a Father Christmas picture and decorated a Christmas tree, using a variety of materials, including GLITTER!! They made lots of mess but had lots of fun too!



Class 4

Class 4 would like to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and New year! We have had a very busy couple of weeks getting ready for the festive season. Lots of Christmas arts and crafts, songs, stories, Christmas dinner with all our friends in the gym, shared events with our families and building our award winning Sleigh. We are also looking forward to a visit from Father Christmas himself next week and we excited for our Christmas break and what's to come in the New Year!



Class 5

What a festive few weeks we've had in Class 5! We loved making paper chains to decorate our tree and made beautiful cards for our friends and families. We all looked very jolly in our Christmas jumpers and enjoyed a delicious Christmas dinner.

We even made our own stockings for Santa to fill on Christmas Day. We would like to wish you all a fabulous Christmas and a very special New Year 🎄



Class 6

Class 6 are very excited about Christmas and we're counting down to the big day! We have been talking about the meaning of Christmas and the different traditions we all have around Christmas; things we eat, family we see and activities we do. We have been reading lots of lovely festive stories and have been making Christmas art such as cards, snowflakes and decorations.



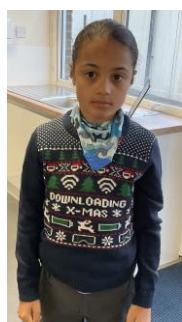
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Class 7

This week Class 7 have been exploring Christmas, we have created our own Christmas trees, salt dough ornaments and enjoyed signing to Christmas songs. We got in the festive spirit by wearing our Christmas jumpers and liked spending time with our friends celebrating and having a delicious Christmas dinner. We loved pulling the crackers and finding wonderful toy inside.



Class 8

We have decorated our Christmas tree with other cultures celebrations, created an advent tree and made snowmen and angels.



Class 9

Class 9 have enjoyed some Christmas arts and crafts, cooking, and a lovely trip to Jimmy's Farm



Class10

Class 10 enjoyed the share afternoon very much and they are looking forward to their Christmas dinner and visit from Santa before the end of term. We would all like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



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Class 11

This term Class 11 have had lots of fun. We have been in festive spirits and have enjoyed decorating our Christmas tree, making Santa's sleigh and cooking festive treats. We wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy new year.



Class 12

Class 12 have had an amazing term. We have learnt about climate change, how the world is changing and why the ice is melting. We have enjoyed working together and helping each other, particularly during cooking lessons. Christmas has been lots of fun, we loved having the parents and carers in to share our Christmas crafts with and have enjoyed making a sleigh and singing carols.

I hope you all have a lovely Christmas break,
Emma Peach



Class 13

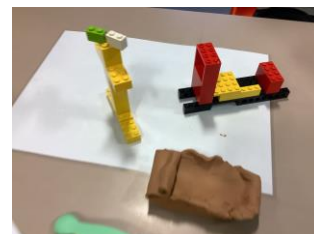
Class 13 have been very busy preparing for Christmas. We have designed our own Christmas dinners; we helped the school cooks to prepare the Christmas dinner by peeling some potatoes and we made some Christmas crowns to wear while we had our Christmas dinner.



Class 14

Pupils have enjoyed carrying out different Christmas activities during December including designing and making a sleigh, a snowman and character masks. Our class helped with the coffee morning serving food and drinks.

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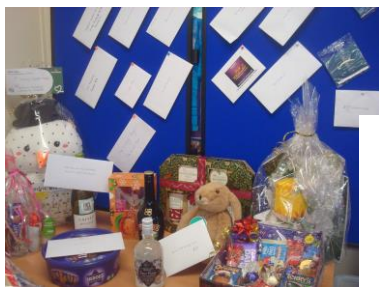
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Warren Association Parent Coffee Morning and Raffle

Warren Association held a Parent Coffee Morning and the big raffle from the Christmas Farye. Pupils for Class 14 helped pick the tickets and lots of prizes were won.



Following a period of absence Zandra Ward has decided, due to ongoing medical reasons, that she will not be returning to Warren School. Consortium Trust would like to thank her for her service to the school and the pupils. We wish her every success in any future endeavours.

Dates for your diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Who</u>
Wednesday 3 rd January	Professional Development Day	Staff
Thursday 4 th January	Return to School	Pupils
Tuesday 9 th January	Year 9 Vaccines	Year 9 Pupils
Thursday 11 th January 5pm-6pm	Prospective Parents School Visit	New Admissions
Friday 12 th January	Parent Survey to be sent	Parents
Monday 22 nd January	Deadline for Parent Survey	Parent

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