



Headteacher's Blog

2ND DECEMBER 2024

Last Week's Round-up...

It felt like a lovely 'run in' to December last week with a few Chritmassy activities to get us all in the mood!

First of all I have to say a huge thank you to everyone who came to our Christmas fair on Friday afternoon. It was new for us to hold the fair at that time in the afternoon and it's many years since we've held the event in school. It certainly felt like it was a success with lots of families enjoying the stalls, games, refreshments and singing and I'm delighted to let you know that we raised a whopping **£2149**. This really is a magnificent total and I'd like to extend a huge thank you to the FOSP who put so much work into the organisation of the fair - we appreciate you very much!

Also on Friday, KS1 and choir had the pleasure of visiting the St Michael's Christmas Tree Festival.

With over 50 lit Christmas trees representing businesses and community groups throughout the town - this was an event well worth seeing! We hope our Sycamore families enjoyed their lunch with us on Wednesday.

A group of UKS2 children were lucky enough to work with a group of silk painting artists on Wednesday afternoon as part of ongoing work with Bailiffgate Museum. We look forward to sharing pictures of their work with you all.

What's on this week...

Teacher led clubs continue on Monday and Thursday afternoons.

Tickets for Reception and KS1 Nativity and LKS2 pantomime are now on sale with two tickets per family allocated. Please either call in or phone up to collect / reserve your tickets by Tuesday.

Costume letters have been sent out. If you're finding it tricky to source a costume, please do chat to class teachers - we will be able to help! We don't want anyone to have to spend money purchasing a costume.

We still have some Christmas jumpers in school so if your child would like one for Christmas Jumper day on Friday 13th December, pop by the office.

We have a few items left from the Christmas fair and so the Friends will hold a stall at the Park gate on Friday afternoon.

Secret head teacher spots...

Carlisle from Oak class was so proud to invite his dad into school on Friday to help him and his KS1 friends plant some trees. This links with their English work on the beautiful story, Adoette. They planted a beech, oak and scots pine tree. The children are going to enjoy watching these grow throughout their time at Swansfield. Look out for pictures in the January newsletter.

Thanks to George and Lilly who came with me on Wednesday to help decorate our Swansfield tree for the Christmas Tree Festival.





A HUGE WELL DONE TO...

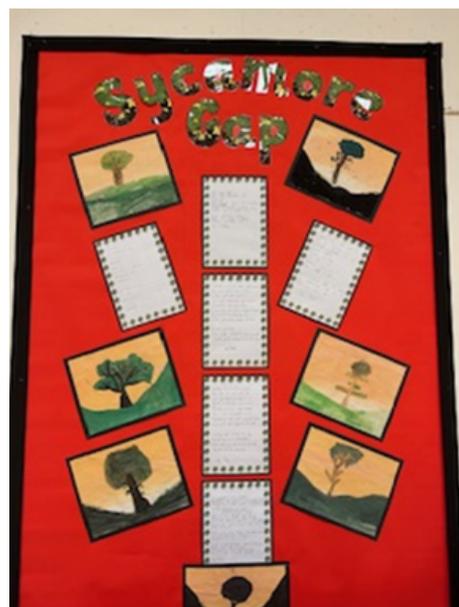
*Jai Potts, Sig Raine, Henry Warburton,
Damon Leach, Bella-Rose Elliot, Jack
Ellis, Lee Philipson, Gracie Shadlock,
Bea Rose and Abi Oliver.*

We are very proud of you all!

Don't forget that everyone is welcome to join us at
St Paul's church at 13.45 on Thursday 19th
December for our annual Christingle service.
Children from Years 1-6 will join us at the church.
UKS2 will lead this special service for us all.



Here are a few more snaps from
our new hall display - Sycamore
class remind us of beautiful
Sycamore Gap and Pear and Plum
showcase Alnwick Castle and
Lion Bridge.



HAVE A LISTEN TO THIS...

Couldn't resist - enjoy!

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