

# Flamstead

VILLAGE SCHOOL

## This Week's News!

**Friday 13th December 2024**

Dear Parents / Carers and Flamstead Families,

The penultimate week before the end of the term has gone quickly. This week it really felt as if Christmas had arrived. Cherry Class had a wonderful trip to St Albans Cathedral on Monday. Thank you to all the parent helpers and to our Governor, Sue Wright who accompanied the children on their trip. On Tuesday the children really enjoyed their Christmas panto, 'The Incredible Christmas Story' and there were howls of laughter coming from the hall. On Thursday we had a day full of festivities with our Christmas Jumper Day, our Christmas dinner and arrival of the North Pole Shop. Tonight the children will be enjoying their Christmas Disco's after school, thank you to FOFs for again organising such a lovely treat for them.

This week Cherry Class have had a wonderfully festive week! They began with an exciting trip to the Cathedral, where the children learned about Advent and the Nativity story. They even impressed staff there by acting out the story with minimal help. The children then got creative making beautiful Christmas clay tiles, which will be sent home once they've dried. They have also been busy rehearsing for our upcoming show, and it's nearly ready to dazzle you all—watch this space! Maple Class have been busy practising their Nativity with Cherry Class and can't wait to share it with everyone next week. They have also been using running stitches to carry on creating their very festive tree decorations.

Chestnut Class have been enjoying the beginning of festive activities after their hard work in assessment week. In Science they looked at different instruments and how to change pitch and volume. In Design and Technology they have continued sewing their Christmas stockings and are evaluating how they could make them even better next time. Bonsai Class have been busy showing off their learning from this term during assessment week. As Upper Key Stage 2 they had a few more assessments than lower school however all class staff were impressed with their focus and effort. They continued their 'My Happy Mind' learning focussing on happy breathing and completed their history unit on 'Crime and Punishment' by recapping everything they have learnt and choosing how they presented their new knowledge and understanding. Did you know theft is the most common crime in every time period Bonsai studied including today?

Lastly we would like to say a huge 'Thank you!' to The Rose and Crown for donating proceeds of their Christmas Fair last weekend to us. We were delighted to receive £287 which was fantastic and we will be purchasing some Wellie Walls for the classes so children can organise their wellies and access the outdoor learning environment in all weathers.

Have a lovely weekend

Jacqui Walton-Jones

Headteacher

### December Reminders

**16th—EYFS/KS1 Dress Rehearsal**

**17th - EYFS / KS1 performance AM**

**17th—Service at St Leonard's**

**18th—EYFS / KS1 performance PM**

**19th—Party Afternoon**

**20th—Term ends at 1.30pm**

**Spring Term Starts on Monday 6th  
January 2025**

## Bright Stars

Friday 13th December 2024

<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Delilah</b>	For her sensible behaviour on our class trip this week. Delilah listened to adults and created a wonderful Christmas themed clay tile with a Christmas tree on!
<b>Reception</b>	<b>Reggie</b>	For being a great role model on our class trip to St Albans Cathedral. Reggie cared for and showed the younger children good behaviour choices. Well done Reggie.
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Ada</b>	For becoming more confident in sharing her ideas in our whole class discussions.
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Elsie</b>	For keeping up her excellent effort and concentration in our Nativity rehearsals.
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Isla</b>	For attention to detail in her sewing skills and improved confidence in Maths.
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Lilly</b>	For being a good role model in class and always trying to give her best.
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Rupert</b>	For his focus and effort during assessment week.
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Harry</b>	For his fantastic effort and leading the singing as Bonsai rehearsed their class story .

## Attendance this week

Year Group	w/b 9th December
<b>Nursery</b>	94%
<b>Reception</b>	96%
<b>Year 1</b>	94%
<b>Year 2</b>	98%
<b>Year 3</b>	100%
<b>Year 4</b>	96%
<b>Year 5</b>	89%
<b>Year 6</b>	99%
<b>Well done Year 3!</b>	

## TTRS and Numbots

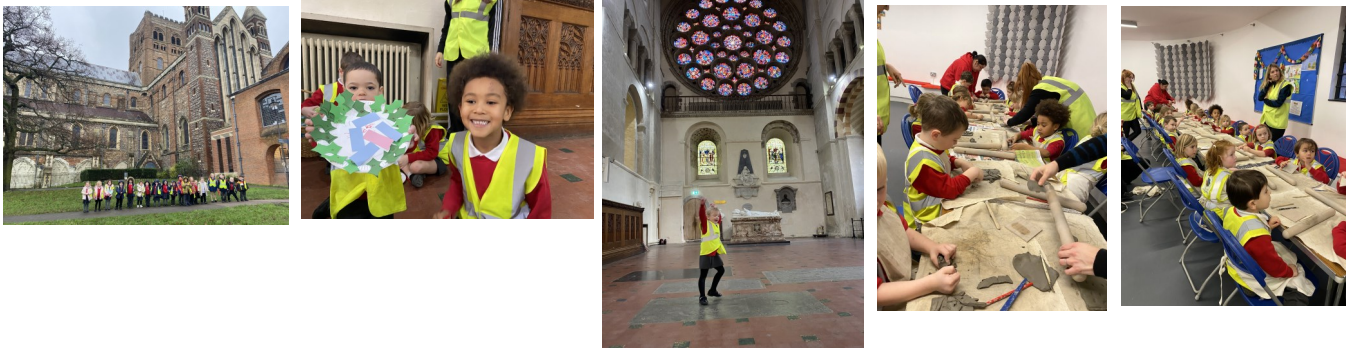
Year Group	Who impressed us ?	Percentage of Children online
Nursery	-	17%
Reception	-	29%
Year 1	Cordelia and Austin	47%
Year 2	Jude	9%
Year 3	-	53%
Year 4	Ava	73%
Year 5	-	9%
Year 6	-	47%
<b>Every child needs to log on each week please as part of their home learning.</b>		

# This Week's Photos

## Our Christmas Dinner



## St Albans Cathedral Visit for Cherry Class



## Lego Club



## 'The Incredible Christmas Story' Panto



## Christmas Eve Crib Service Readers



The Vicar from St Leonard's, Jo Burke, is looking for young readers for the Christmassy crib service in St Leonard's at 3.30pm on Christmas Eve

If any of your children would enjoy this and like to participate please email Jo Burke on the email address below

Jo Burke<fmvicar@gmail.com

## FOFS News

We would like to thank FOFS for organising some lovely events for all the children recently.

Thank you to Christy Lee, Eve Broadhurst, Ali Coulter, Jordana Robinson, Sarah Gibson and Becky Gisborne for running the Craft With Santa event in St Leonards last Friday. The event raised £363 and £200 of that has been donated to support Flamstead Preschool this Christmas.



This week the North Pole Shop was a tremendous success and fun for all the children. A huge thank you to Becky Gisborne for taking on the organisation of the shop this year, and to Rachel Saunders, Eve McCall and Christy Lee for helping out on Thursday.



Finally, the two FOFS Christmas Parties are on this evening, hosted by a Kool Kidz DJ with food, drink and gift supplied. Our grateful thanks go to Sarah Percy for arranging the parties again this year, and to Rachel Saunders, Tania Budowsdi, Sarah Gibson, Hayley Robinson and Martina Francakova for helping out. We are sure the children will have a brilliant time.





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FAMILY SERVICES  
NORTH & EAST

## Helping your child with their anger

**Date**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2025

**Time**

09:30-11:00 am

Session will be held face to face at Hobbs Hill Wood Primary School in the Myatt Room (HP3 8ER)

### Does your child display challenging behaviour?

A **free** workshop for parents:

- Why do children display challenging behaviour?
- Understand your child and their responses and behaviour when they're angry
- Strategies and tips to help your child with their anger



**For more details and to book a place, please email:**

[jnethercoat@hobbshillwood.herts.sch.uk](mailto:jnethercoat@hobbshillwood.herts.sch.uk)

Please include contact details and name of child's school when booking

Tel: 01442 401222 Ext: 5

# Reindeer Trail

23RD NOVEMBER-21ST DECEMBER



**FREE  
EVENT**

**Chance  
to win  
an iPad**



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HEMPSTEAD  
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