

Our value for December is Love

Newsletter

Autumn Term

16th December 22



Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we struggled through to the end of term this week, we were reminded what an important job each and every one of our staff members does each day. A successful school is a complex machine and every staff member plays a key role in keeping the machine running smoothly. Though we creaked a little this week as staff were hit by a horrible flu bug, the team was able to pull together and keep going to give your children the festive week they deserved after a term of hard work. I'm sure you'll join me in offering special thanks to our premises team, Robbie and Mary and our cleaners who have opened the school at 5 am each day to ensure that it is warm, clean, safe and welcoming for everyone. I would also like to thank all of you for your support this term. I hope that the whole school community enjoys a safe and warm festive period, and I look forward to seeing you back in school in 2023! Until then...Merry Christmas!

Jemima Wade, Headteacher

Year 2's Nativity

On Wednesday morning, year 2 performed their ' Meaning of Christmas' Nativity play for parents, family members other VIPs. They impressed the audience with their confidence, loud voices, great acting and beautiful singing, as well as by the impressive way that they organised themselves on stage. An ancient story beautifully retold –WELL DONE Year 2!



Christmas Lunch

On Tuesday, the children enjoyed a very festive Christmas lunch along with some of our Friends of Argyle parents. Thank you to Caterlink for putting on an amazing spread.



Year 2 make pizzas

On Wednesday, as a treat for all their hard work producing the Nativity, Year 2 made pizzas in the STEAM lab! They weighed out the flour, mixed the dough, rolled out the base and then added their cheese and tomato fillings!



Santa Visits/Christmas Parties

Thursday afternoon saw Santa pay a visit to every classroom. The children all enjoyed their Christmas parties with lots of food and dancing!



Year 5 visit Google Office

Last Friday, the children in Year 5 visited the Google offices. They began by having a tour around the incredible facilities and were able to see the stunning London skyline from the top of the building. Following this, the children learnt about a day in the life of 'Googlers' and how Google is made up of many departments. They also found out that Google takes pride in being as sustainable as possible, even going so far as to recycle orange peel and turn it into bathroom tiles! The children were shocked to hear about some of the employee benefits such as free meals and the option of bringing your dog to work with you!



"I can't believe so many people work in the building!"
- **Mahhasnat**

"Miss Quinn I think you'll be a better teacher more than a Googler!"
- **Salma**

"I would love to work there one day! Especially if I get all that delicious free food!"
- **Sabrina**

"They were so nice to us and I love the freebies they gave us!" - **Alisha**

Year 3 visit The Place

On Thursday year 3 were invited to watch a special performance of "Snowed In" at The Place Dance Studio.



Gift Donations

A huge thank you to NBC Universal and Corams who donated 30 amazing gifts to some of our Argyle children. Our school council representatives from Year 6 were on hand to receive them.



Fun in the snow!

On Monday, Argyle looked very picturesque in the snow! The children were able to enjoy some time outside having fun and making snowmen!



EYFS at Argyle Primary School - Reception

During the final week of the Autumn term, the children in Reception classes explored the story of 'The Stickman' by Julia Donaldson. Whilst listening to the story, the children were able to talk about the journey that the Stickman takes and the seasons that pass. They used a range of vocabulary to describe the different settings and talked about seasonal changes such as leaves falling off trees during Autumn and snow on the ground during Winter. Luckily, the children were also able to experience snow for themselves, some for the first time ever. They were very excited to play in the snow and make their own snowmen. If you are interested in sharing this story with your child, we have added a link to Google Classroom.



EYFS at Argyle Primary School - Nursery

In Nursery this week, the children learned about animals that can act as heroes and listened to the story of 'Collywobble' by Malachy Doyle, which is a story about a dog who helps rescue his owners. The children greatly enjoyed acting out the story using props to help them. Following this, they learnt about the role of vets and how they help to care for and treat animals. They also thought about different superheroes that have animal like super powers such as Batman and Spiderman.

As the children are coming to the end of the topic, they were given the opportunity to recap over what they had learnt about heroes.

Our words of the week:
species, dog, pet, vet

I liked being superman because he can fly
- **Ahmed**

I like Hulk Smash!
He strong - **Akber**

The bad guy is under arrest - **Aqeel**



Attendance - A lot of sickness this week!

	WK8	WK 9	WK 10	WK 11	WK 12	WK 13	WK 14
Rec: Jet	93%	93%	86%	84%	89%	76%	60%
Rec: Topaz	93%	92%	87%	86%	82%	69%	84%
1 Jade	89%	94%	93%	94%	95%	65%	76%
1 Ruby	90%	97%	90%	94%	83%	79%	75%
2 Amber	92%	89%	94%	94%	84%	87%	78%
2 Opal	100%	98%	92%	94%	96%	93%	74%
3 Garnet	88%	95%	95%	92%	85%	84%	76%
3 Pearl	89%	84%	89%	97%	92%	95%	77%
4 Onyx	95%	97%	97%	94%	98%	95%	89%
5 Quartz	97%	96%	98%	96%	98%	91%	84%
6 Diamond	96%	95%	98%	96%	95%	86%	82%
6 Sapphire	88%	97%	91%	95%	95%	84%	83%
Total	93%	93%	93%	93%	91%	84%	78%
Camden		94.7%	94.8%	94.5%			

Parents are reminded that all requests for exceptional leave from school must be made via the school office where you will be given a form to complete. The headteacher will consider all applications. Please do **NOT** book holidays during school term time.



On Thursday we held our termly attendance assembly.

A huge well done to our winners **2 OPAL** and **5 QUARTZ** for achieving the best attendance over the Autumn term. They were awarded with the attendance cups.

Children with 100% attendance and 96%-99% attendance from all classes also received a special certificate.

Dates for your diary

January 2023

Tuesday 3rd	INSET: School closed for inset day.
Wednesday 4th	School reopens for Spring Term 2023
Thursday 12th	TRIP: Year 6 visit Bletchley Park
Thursday 26th	TRIP: Nursery visit The Foundling Museum