



KEEPING IN TOUCH



Christmas time at Le Cateau Wednesday 18th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Children can come to school for the entire day wearing a Christmas Jumper!

And **Christmas lunch** will be served - if you have not booked a Christmas lunch then please provide a packed lunch for your child.



Christmas Party Day Thursday 19th December

All classes will be hosting Christmas Parties on Thursday and pupils can come into school in party clothes.



Christmas Karaoke Friday 20th December

What a great way to finish off the term with the joys of music and singing. Pupils can wear a Christmas accessory and we are going to have great fun! (more info on next page)

Extra Curricular Clubs - We will be launching the booking process for our **Extra Curricular Clubs** on **FRIDAY 13th DECEMBER**. We have a range of clubs available during the Spring Term that commence week beginning 20th January. ALL clubs will run for an 8 week period. Charges will apply for individual clubs.

<https://forms.office.com/e/Li6JNvK62>



Christmas Karaoke

CALLING ALL SINGERS AND
ENTERTAINERS
CHILDREN AND STAFF WELCOME

SIGN UP FOR YOUR FAVOURITE
CHRISTMAS SONG AND GET READY
TO ROCK THE SCHOOL HALL

WEAR A CHRISTMAS ACCESSORY
AND JOIN IN WITH THE FUN.
FOR EXAMPLE
SANTA HAT
CHRISTMAS HEADBAND
CHRISTMAS SOCKS



Supporting ALL to Thrive



Help us understand the educational experiences of children with additional needs – survey

What is the research?

Researchers from Oxford Brookes University are conducting research exploring the educational experiences of children from Armed Forces backgrounds who have additional learning or support needs and/or disability.

This part of the study is looking into the educational experiences of any school-age children with additional needs. We'd love to hear from you, whether or not you have any connection to the Armed Forces.

What would it involve?

Completing an online survey which will take between 10 and 25 minutes to complete. The survey will be open from October to 31 December 2024.

Why participate?

You would help us to understand what is and is not working for children and their families, and the support needed for all children to thrive.

Who can participate?

Parents or carers of a child aged 4-18 with additional needs in UK education or MOD schools overseas, whether diagnosed or not (including children who are currently out of school for any reason).

How do I find out more?

Email clairelee@brookes.ac.uk
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Or scan QR code above.

www.sattproject.org.uk

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FS1 & 2 Year Olds



FS1 and the Caterpillars have done an amazing job of singing Christmas songs for all the mums and dads this week. If you haven't yet had a chance to see the performance please come along and join in the fun on Friday at 2pm.



Dates for your diary

Tuesday-Polar express day in the Caterpillars room (PJ's can be worn!)

Wednesday- Christmas jumpers and Christmas Lunch (pick up time for those staying for dinner will be 12.15pm)

Thursday- Christmas Party day- wear your party clothes to school

Friday- Christmas Karaoke in the hall, children can wear a Christmas accessory, for example Christmas hat, headband, socks, bow



FS2 Bear , Cheetahs & Hippos

We have had a very festive and jolly week this week in FS2 as we have performed the Nativity to the school and to families. The children have worked extremely hard and have been so brave acting and singing in front of large audiences.



We have been making Christmas cards and decorations ready to take home next week. We have read the Christmas story and made links to our nativity.

Next week our festivities continue as we have Christmas lunch on Wednesday. Your child can come to school in a Christmas jumper on this day. We will also be having a Christmas party this week. Look out for further details.

News from the Nest

The children have been very busy creating lovely Christmas decorations. Please pop in and see their lovely work.

Next week they will be doing some Christmas baking and making delicious treats to share.

Wednesday- Christmas jumpers and Christmas dinner

Thursday- Party day- wear your party clothes to school





Year 1/2 Ewes, Chameleons, Rainbow & Bluebirds

As we enter into our final week of this half term we will be embracing the Christmas festivities. There will be lots of crafts, singing and challenges to complete.

Important Information

Wednesday - Christmas Lunch and Christmas jumper day.

Thursday - We will be having a Christmas party. The children can come dressed in their party clothes for the day. We will be having party food but this will be provided by the staff. Your child can bring a bottle of juice (no fizzy drinks) if they wish to have with their party food.



Special Shout Outs for Y1/Y2

1 / 2 E - everyone for walking around school in such a respectful way

1 / 2 B - Melissa and Arlo

1 / 2 C - Ellie and Arthur

1 / 2 R - William L, Henry, Lottie and Flo



Year 4 Butterflies & Tigers



Year 4 have had a fantastic week. They have worked extremely hard trying to solve some tricky worded problems using efficient methods for addition and subtraction. Next week, we have a fun-filled week planned in the lead up to the Christmas holidays. Please a list on events taking place below.



Next term, we will be introducing a new topic 'The Ruthless Romans. Please look out on seesaw for some research ideas for over the Christmas holidays in preparation for the launch of our new topic...



Well done!

Congratulations...

Butterfly of the Week: Florence for excellent maths work and growing confidence.

Tiger of the Week: Mabel for being a super star all week and putting so much effort into her maths work.

Next week...

Tuesday 17th Dec. Special treat - pantomime for year 4 (pm) offsite. Pupils will arrive late back to school this day, at 3.30pm.

Wednesday 18th Dec. Christmas jumper day and Christmas Lunch.

Thursday 19th Dec. Christmas Party (pm) - come to school in party clothes.

Friday 20th Dec. Karaoke round a Christmas tree 1.30pm.



Year 3 Hedgehogs & Impressive Llamas

Year 3 have done a super job of writing their own conversations between the Bear and the Hare. They have imagined how it must feel to experience Christmas for the first time.



We have come to the end of our addition and subtraction work and encountered some very tricky word problems. The children have show super perserverance in this.



In DT we have enjoyed making a waving Santa using levers and linkages.

Well done to...

All of year 3 for completing their end of term assessments.

Don't forget...

To bring a coat for playtime!

Equally Important

Equally Different





Year 5 Adventurers & Wolves



In Year 5 we have been exploring the famous Route 66 and finding out about the famous landmarks along the way. We have also researched popular foods along the way!



Well done to everyone for their hard work in our swimming sessions. We have now finished this series of swimming lessons and it's been great to see the incredible improvements in technique and confidence.

Creativity is key for the last week of term. We are designing pop-up books and lots of Christmas themed arts and crafts.

Year 6 Stars, Hawks & Heroes



This week we have been completing our December assessments. However, to balance this, we are writing our own Santa comes to Catterick Garrison narratives to share with younger (and older) family members this Christmas. Watch out, your name may appear in Santa's naughty list in some of our stories!

Shout outs

6JH: Luisa, Tobias and Kayden

6RH: Josua - working hard, Prakseeda great perseverance on her assessments and Lydia for teaching us a new skill.

6S: Mrs Z - for helping all of the parents, staff and pupils in Year 6.



Thank you to all the parents and children who donated bits and bobs for our table-top sale! We couldn't have done it without you all.

We just wanted to say a massive well done to all the children last week, whether they were at Marrick Priory or at school, you are all amazing!

Reminders:

18th December - Christmas Lunch and wear a Christmas Jumper

19th December - afternoon - boys bring savoury food and girls bring sweet food. If you have any allergies then please bring your own named and covered plate. You can wear party clothes all day

20th December - last day of school and Christmas Karaoke !!