



Christmas



at Sydenham Primary School



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 14: Freedom of Thought, Belief and Religion



Our Festive Jumper Day marked the start of Christmas!



Festive Jumper Day

We loved seeing everyone's outfits. You all looked a treat!





It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!



Carol Concerts



This week we have been treated to some wonderful carol concerts, watched by many very proud parents and carers. All the children sang beautifully, with huge smiles on their faces. It was a wonderful warm-up for Christmas!



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Article 29: Goals of Education

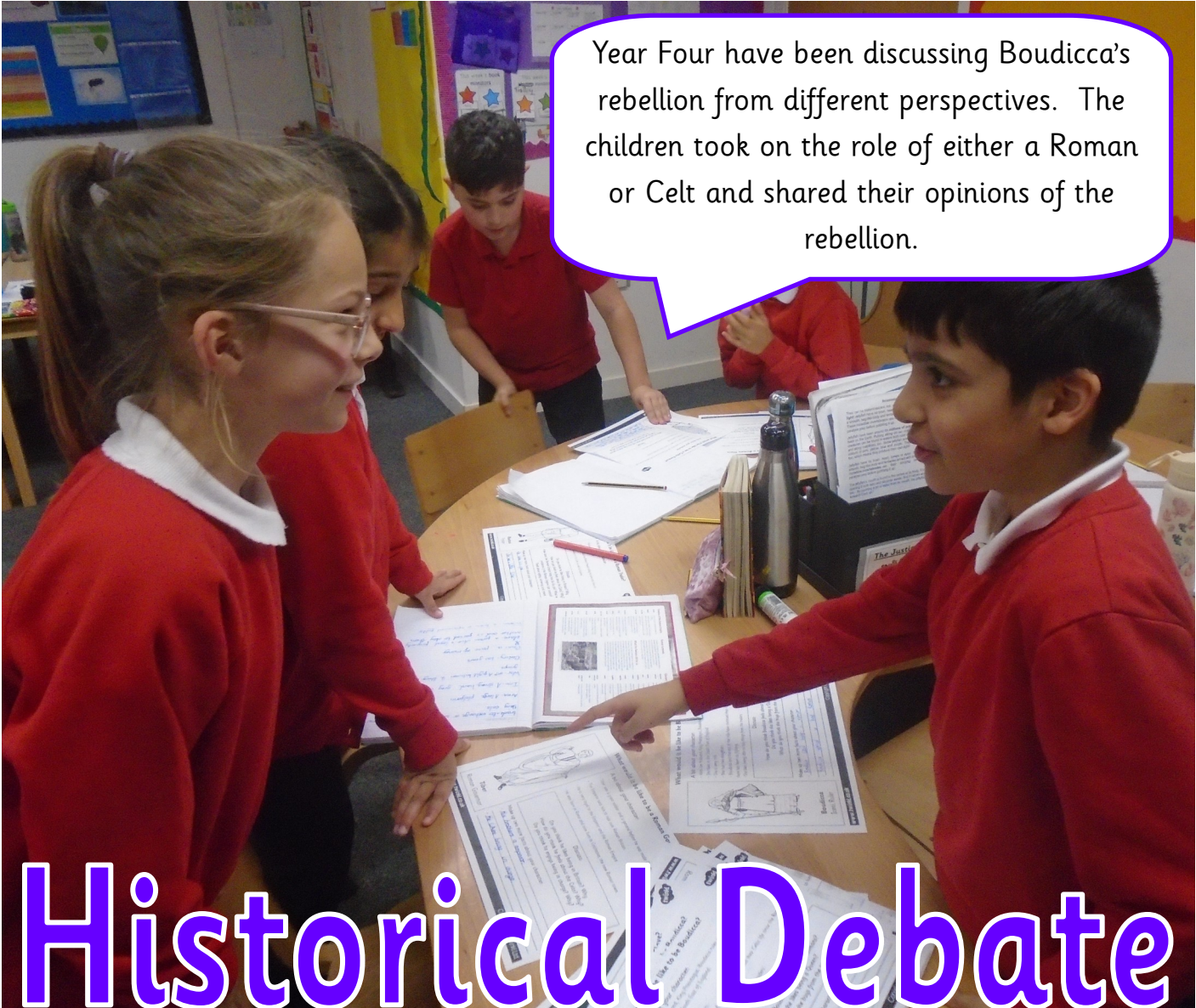
Key Stage Two












Year Four have been discussing Boudicca's rebellion from different perspectives. The children took on the role of either a Roman or Celt and shared their opinions of the rebellion.

Historical Debate



The children learnt about bias and the fact that everyone has different opinions of events.





Royal Opera House



On Wednesday, Year Six enjoyed the trip of a lifetime when they visited the Royal Opera House in London to watch "The Nutcracker." The ballet was performed with a live orchestra and dancers from the world-famous Royal Ballet.

Pupils were treated to first-class dancing as well as sumptuous scenery, magical special effects and glittering costumes. It really was an experience that the children will remember for the rest of their lives.



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Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture

Church Visit

On Monday, children across the school visited St Mary's Church to learn about the Christmas story.

The interactive session was led by Lizzy from the church.

Pupils learnt how and why Christians celebrate at this time of year. They thought about the significance of the festival for Christians and were able to reflect upon their own beliefs.



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Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture

On Thursday, Reception, Year One and Year Two enjoyed a fantastic performance of "Stick Man" at Warwick Arts Centre.

Stick Man

The show was great fun and everybody was very happy when Stick Man was finally reunited with his family!

Win a Box of LEGO!

Join in, win a bumper box of LEGO and raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support

A group of pupils in Y6 are running a fun event to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. It costs **only 50p to join in** and your child could win a fabulous box of LEGO! What do they have to do? Simply guess the correct number of marbles in a jar.

What do You have to do to join in?

- Pay 50p on Parent Pay
- On Thursday 15th December, Y6 pupils will visit each class with a jar of marbles. Your child must guess how many marbles are contained in the jar. Their guess will be written down next to their name.
- On Friday 16th December, the person with the correct guess will win a box of LEGO. If more than one child has guessed correctly, their names will be put into a hat and one lucky winner will be chosen at random.



**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**



Nursery Rhyme Nativity

Wednesday 14th December

4 Start Times: 10am... 11.30am... 2pm... 3.30pm

St Mary's Church, Leamington Spa, CV31 1JW

A fun 25-minute nativity service for preschoolers and toddlers.

With familiar rhymes and a simple retelling of the Christmas story.

Followed by refreshments, play and time to chat.

More info: lizzy@stmarysleamington.com 01926 778505

Nativity Service



Sunday 18th December 10.30am

St Mary's Church, Leamington, CV31

A Nativity "Escape Room" Christmas Service for all ages...

Will the story end well? Does Jesus make it? Find out!

Why not come dressed as your favourite Nativity character?

Christingle Service

Wednesday 21st December

10.00am and 6.00pm

St Mary's Church, CV31 1JW

A Christmas Celebration for all ages.

Create, sing, wonder, celebrate together.

Info: lizzy@stmarysleamington.com 01926 778505



Diary Dates

Monday 12th December	Rock Steady concert for participating families at 2.00pm.
Monday 12th December	School Christmas lunch.
Tuesday 13 –Thursday 15th December	PTA Present Wrap Room.
Friday 16th December	KS2 Nativity at 9.15am. Parents and carers of children in the show are warmly invited to attend.
Friday 16th December	Guess the Marbles in the Jar—winner announced.
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Monday 19th—Friday 30th December school closed for Christmas holiday.

Monday 2nd January—school closed for bank holiday

**Tuesday 3rd January—school closed for INSET—Inclusion training, led by
The Education Psychology Service.**

Pupils return to school for the Spring Term on Wednesday 4th January