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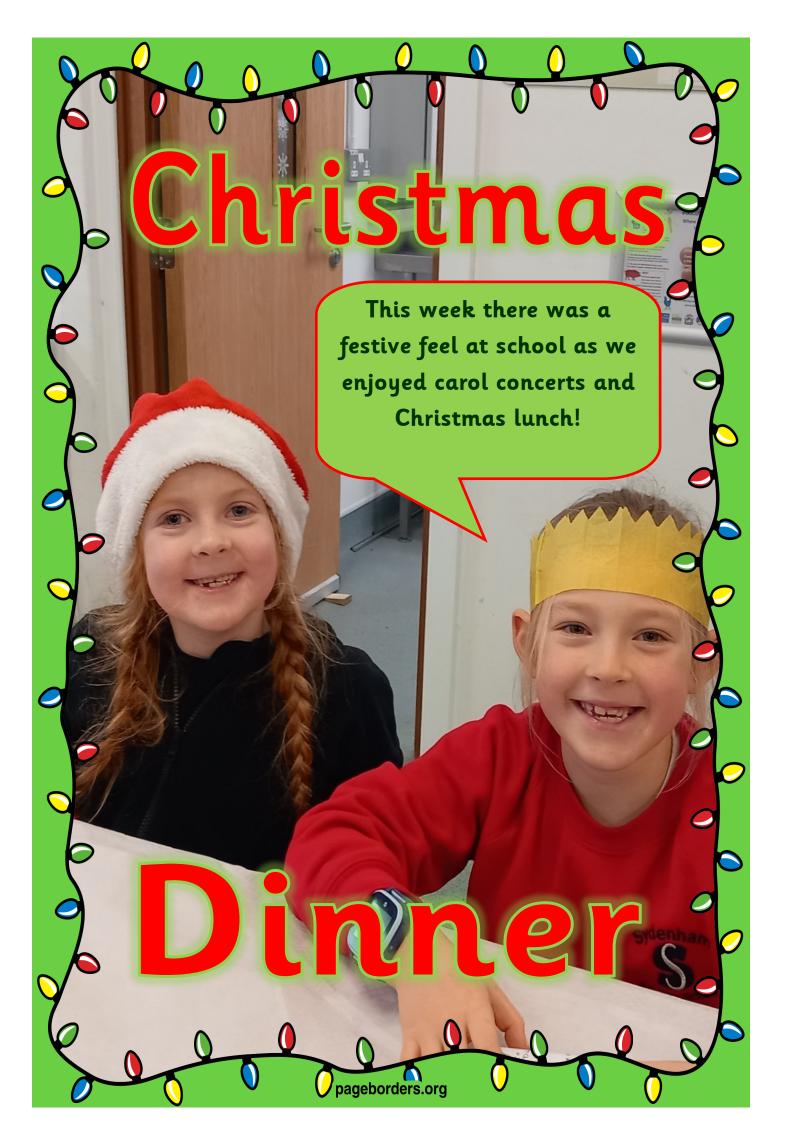


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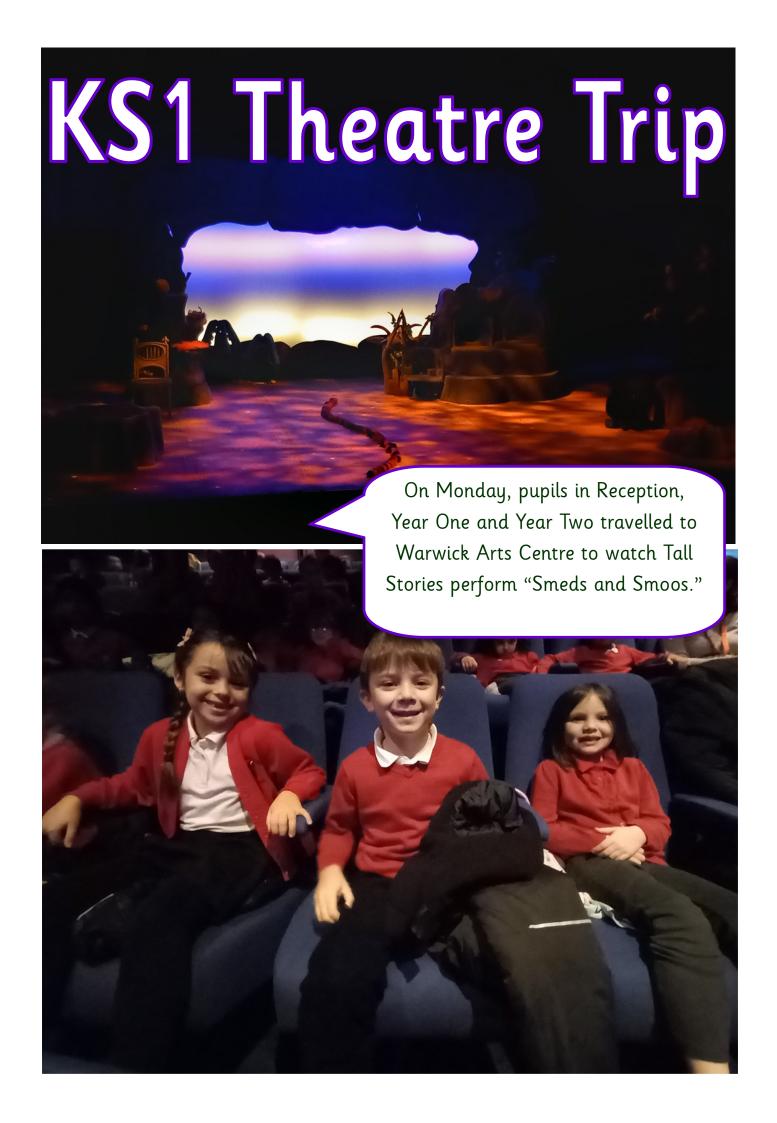






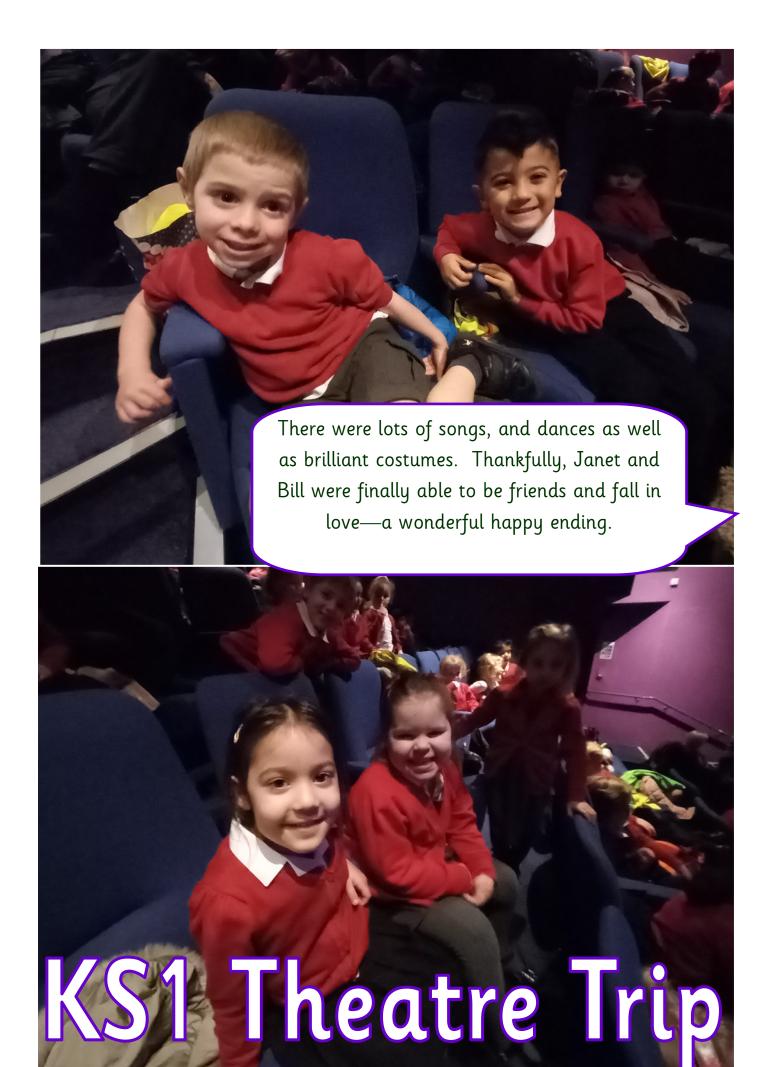








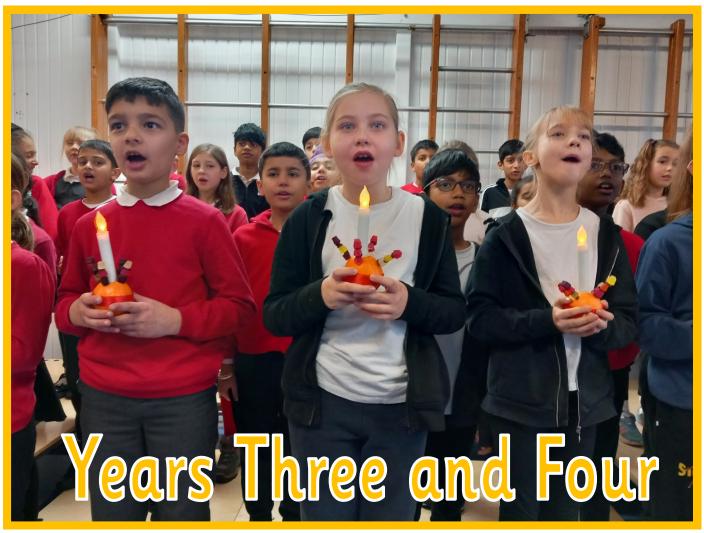






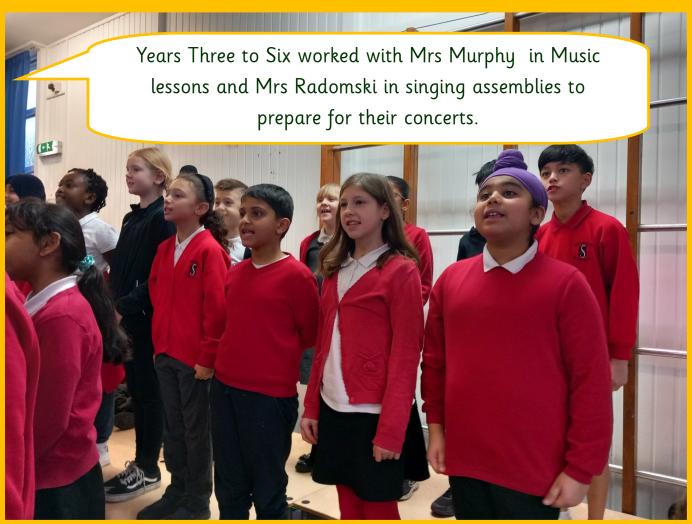




















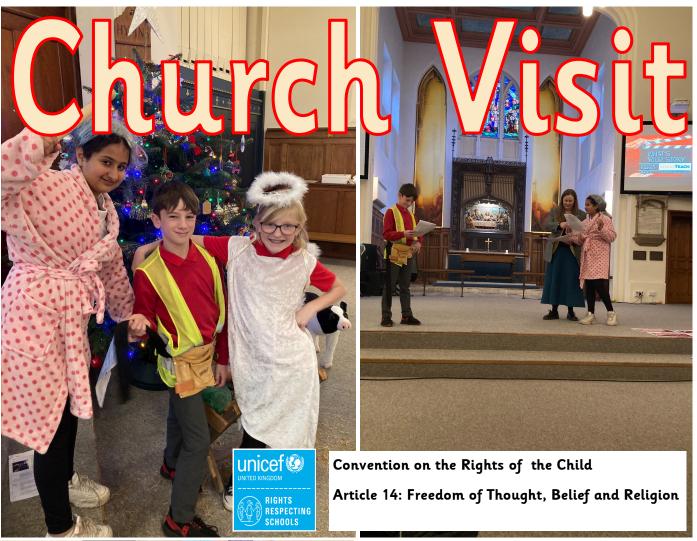














Year 6 visited St Mary's church this week in order to learn about the birth of Jesus, and who he is to Christians.

The children were asked to immerse themselves in different parts of the story of the nativity to try and see what Jesus meant from the perspectives of several people, including the shepherds, King Herod, and Mary.

This was a brilliant way for the children to engage with their local community and learn about the religion of Christianity, whilst getting them into the festive spirit.





The children used their journalistic skills to investigate poor Joseph's situation - his fiancée was pregnant but he wasn't the father! Pupils travelled to various zones and heard from shepherds, King Herod and even Mary herself to get to the bottom of the mystery. During the live talk show with special guest Joseph, children had the opportunity to explain the situation to him and convince him to stay by Mary's side. Joseph's mother took some convincing, but a visit from Angel Gabriel seemed to do the trick



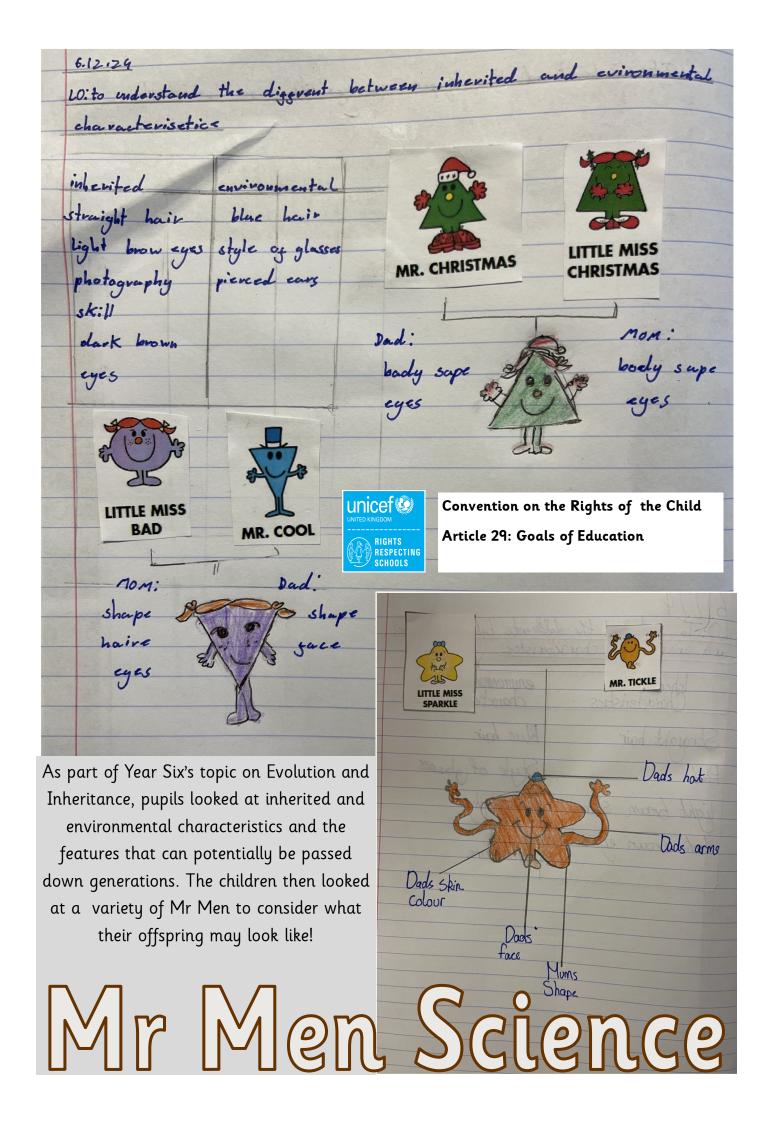
This week in forest school pupils were staying festive by making their own pomanders and mulled apple juice.

Pomanders are oranges studded with cloves and the term is derived from the French "pomme d'ambre," meaning "apple of amber." These aromatic treasures were initially concocted as a remedy against the plague, believed to ward off the disease with their powerful scents. They are now a festive tradition, designed to make your household smell wonderful. The children learned about the history of them before making their own by pushing cloves into an orange in a design of their choosing, boosting fine motor skills and allowing them to be creative .

The children made and lit their own fire to heat up the mulled apple juice. It takes great care and responsibility to light a fire, but doing so brings out a very human reaction of pride and satisfaction, which is a great way to develop children's confidence. Once the fire was lit pupils talked about what spice meant, and how spices are used across different cultures all over the world. The children then added cinnamon sticks, five spice and cloves to our apple juice before serving hot



Convention on the Rights of the Child Article 29: Goals of Education





Wear a festive outfit to school on Friday 20th

December and make a donation to the local

charity, Parenting Project.

You could choose a party dress,

Santa suit or Christmas jumper. Jazz things
up with festive accessories to complete your
look!



Christmas MUFTI





Should I keep my

child off school?



Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all bilsters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like Illness (Including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scables	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek





Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.



SYDNI Warm and Well

Cost of Living Support

SYDNI Centre would like to help local people in the area who are struggling with the cost of living .

If you'd like a free lunch, surplus supermarket food to take away and advice/support on your wellbeing then we'd love you to join us....

Lunch will be provided every Tuesday at the SYDNI Centre 12 noon to 2pm.

Free surplus supermarket Food is available every Tuesday from 12 noon

If you'd like to know more, or to register your interest in attending, then phone centre on 01926 422071 or e-mail Helen at Wellbeing@Sydni.org.



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Opening hours: Monday - Friday 9.00-5.00

We would like to thank Sainsburys, the Coop and Kind Communities Kind Food at WCC for helping to fund this initiative



St Mary's Church

Encountering God Rooted in Christ Transforming Lives

For unto us

**a child is born!







Sunday 15th Dec at 6.30pm
St. Mary's Carol Service
Carols by candlelight & Mince Pies

Tuesday 24th December at 4pm Christingle Service

Wednesday 25th December at 10.30am
Christmas Day All-Age Service
with Holy Communion



Wednesday 29th January 2025



(h) Chinese Sticky Citrus Chicken with Rainbow Rice



(v) Stir Fry Plant Balls with Noodles (G.E) Served with



Apple Salad (SU)





or

(vg) Mandarin Jelly with mini (h) Ginger Cookie (G)



Diary Dates

Monday 16th December	PTA Wrap Room
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Monday December 16th	Re-scheduled date for Y1 pop-up planetarium.
Tuesday 17th December	PTA Wrap Room.
Tuesday 17th December	Winter Craft session—fully booked.
Wednesday 18th December	Y3 &Y4 cinema visit—"Paddington in Peru."
Friday 20th December	Christmas MUFTI—come to school in a festive jumper or
	outfit. If your child wears their own choice of clothes,
	please donate at least 50p via ParentPay. All money
	raised will support the local charity, Parenting Project.

Monday 23rd December—Friday 3rd January, school closed for the Christmas holiday.

Monday January 6th 2025, School closed for INSET (In Service Training.)

Children return to school on Tuesday 7th January 2025

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