



Lower School enjoying their Hot Chocolate and Rocky Road



A letter from the Headmistress

Dear Parents,

This week has been a very festive week at Godstowe as the children have been decorating all over the school from Nursery up to Fourths. Our usual Friday morning assembly turned into Form Room decorating and morning break saw all the main school receive hot chocolate and rocky road. Despite the weather, everyone, including the staff, enjoyed their drinks.

Early Years held their "Wiggly Nativity" this morning and I wanted to congratulate the children on how well they performed. There were a lot of lines to remember and songs to learn which they all delivered perfectly. I would also like to thank Parents for their support with this, and the staff in Nursery and Beginners.

Friends of Godstowe, and staff, are looking forward to seeing many of you at the Christmas Fair on Saturday, please remember to wrap up warm as it's due to be very chilly.

In the meantime, I want to thank those of you that have sent well wishes, I'm feeling much better with each passing day and I wish you a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.



Weekly Awards



Artwork

Emiliya P Alice D
Leila N Lottie D

Friday Badge

IH - Anjola O
IM - Charlotte L
IC - Annika N

Sports Star of the Week

Annabel N Millie B
Clemency D Clemmie W
Leila N Sophie W

Typing Awards

Beginner: Intermediate:
Mala B Lucy B
Saskia W Otilie S
Lucia T
Elysia W

Accelerated Reader of the Week

Ruby J

Boarder of the Week

Turner - Francesca M
Walker - Raychi H
Highlands - Emilia P



This week Nursery have been excitedly preparing for their first Nativity play and decorating the room with lots of glittery festive crafts for the parents to come and see. We have also been learning to match numeral to quantity, with our Christmas bauble activity. The sound of the week has been k for kite and kangaroo.

In Beginners this week we have continued in our pursuit of all things Christmas. As well as thinking about some of the traditions of this festival and learning about how it is celebrated across the world we have also learnt about how the Nativity story is the story of the very first Christmas and why it is such an important story for many people. We have also been noticing the seasonal changes that are occurring right now, learning new words to describe the weather and observing the change to the trees and plants outside. Obviously our highlight this week is that we get to perform the 'Wriggly Nativity' to our parents. Hopefully it will put everyone into a festive mood ready for the month ahead.

It has certainly started to feel a little festive in Kindergarten this week! As well as busily rehearsing the songs and dances for the Nativity performance, the children have enjoyed creating a variety of festive artwork. To support their ongoing topic on Toys, Kindergarten also participated in an exciting virtual workshop with the Beamish Museum, where they helped to locate a range of missing toys from the past. The children enjoyed the session enormously and had great fun playing with real historical toys afterwards!

Transition has had another busy week preparing for our Nativity performance of 'The Forgetful Angel' which is taking place next week. We have been working hard with our songs and lines and are looking forward to our performances to the rest of the school and to parents. We were very excited to see the Early Years Nativity Dress rehearsal this week, which was a real treat. The classrooms have been full of shiny paper and glitter as we have also been preparing our Christmas art work and we were very excited to see the Christmas tree go up in Lodge Hall. We have been continuing with our usual Phonics and Maths, trying to apply our multiplication skills to worded problems and learning to use adjectives to make our writing more interesting.



Christmas has arrived!

Tuesday afternoon saw the arrival of our Christmas Trees. Our Elves (Fourths Monitors) were decorating on Wednesday morning and have done a fantastic job bringing Christmas Spirit to the reception.



Sports Results

Swimming

The U12 & U13 Swimmers took part in the Wycombe Abbey League Gala on Wednesday 24th November. It was a fiercely contested event with a very high standard of swimming throughout. Our girls swam against 11 other schools in a combination of 2 heats in Junior A and 1 heat in Junior B.

With some great swims and fast times Godstowe Girls have hopefully put themselves in a strong position to be in the top six schools and qualify for the League gala finals with just one gala left to compete in.

The girls were a credit to Godstowe in and out of the pool.

Results from Netball Fixtures this week:

U13C vs Beaconsfield High: 14 -1 (won)

U13D vs Beaconsfield High: 18-1 (won)

U10C vs Heatherton House A: 5-2 (won)

U10D vs Heatherton House B: 5-7 (lost)

Upcoming Sports Events

We are delighted to announce four sporting events coming up, to which Parents are invited, there may even be Hot Chocolate...

Each event involves every girl in that year group:

Monday 29th, 14:40-16:00 - Lower Interhouse Netball

Monday 6th December, 14:30-16:00 - Uppers Christmas Lacrosse, worth watching for the outfits alone!

Tuesday 7th December, 14:30-16:00 - Fourths Christmas Lacrosse

Wednesday 8th December, 14:30-16:00 - Middles Interhouse Netball.

Please note that everyone coming to watch an event must have tested negative on a Lateral Flow and wear a mask when passing through reception.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you on the sidelines for these exciting competitions.



 @GodstoweSport



Friends Of Godstowe's Christmas Fair

27th November 2021 | 2pm-5pm

The Fair is drawing closer and we look forward to seeing you there. Thank you for all the amazing contributions to the hampers and the stalls. It should be a great event! Don't forget to buy tickets if you haven't already done so. Tickets are now also available via classlist for the Silent Disco! Limited spots available so book early to secure your place on the dance floor!

Just a few housekeeping notices:

1. Please note there is no parking available at the school. Please be considerate of neighbours to the school if parking nearby, and consider using the paid car parks at the Railway Station and Easton Street Car Park.
2. Please do a lateral flow test before attending the fair. We want to keep everyone safe!
3. Parents remain responsible for their children for the duration of the event.
4. This is a cash only event. Please come prepared.
5. This is a fully outdoors event so please wrap up warm.

We look forward to welcoming you to the fair tomorrow.

National Online Safety's WakeUpWednesday

Did you know that you can check viewing habits on Netflix? And create Kids Experience profiles?

To create your account, please follow <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/godstowe-school> and complete your details. When you're set up, you'll be able to set 'Parent/Guardian' as your user type.

There's also an app available, just search "National Online Safety" in the App store or Google Play.

