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Follow the Star

Year 2 have performed a play called Follow the Star and it is about the birth of Jesus. We have enjoyed performing our play to the school and to the parents. We hope you enjoyed it too.

By Owls' Class

Reception Nativity

I liked being a snowflake because I got to dance. My favourite bit of the play was seeing the angels because they fly around.

By Ella Francis Ladybirds' Class I liked telling my joke in the play. "What do you call Santa's wife?...Mary Christmas!" Everyone laughed.

By Alfie Wagg Ladybirds' Class

Operation Christmas Child

We have contributed to Operation Christmas Child at our school. All of year 6 brought in a gift to add to the box. Ashbourne brought in a gift for a girl age 10 to 14; Bakewell a gift for a boy age 10 to 14. Buxton brought in a gift for a girl age 5 to 9; and Castleton a gift for a boy age 5 to 9. Together the teams brought in gifts like pens, crayons, note pads, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, hairbrushes and sweets. We wrapped up shoeboxes in wrapping paper and inserted the gifts into the boxes. Mrs Hilton took the 4 boxes to her church to be

sent to a country where children aren't as fortunate as us. We hope the children appreciate our gifts.

By Rubina Stanworth and Ava Clarke 6H





feel relaxed.

REAL Time

On Thursday, November 16th, the whole school took part in REAL Time (Relax, Activate, Engage, Learn). We worked with children from different classes on activities aimed at building

resilience. I enjoyed using the new tablets to solve puzzles.

By Connie March 4H I learnt that mindfulness colouring can make me

By Leo Neethling 4H I learnt how to say my name, hello and goodbye in sign language. I have used my sign language to say hello to Oliver and Owen who are deaf children at the Royal School for the deaf. I see them when we go swimming with school as their school swims after us.

By Lewis Frampton 4H

Advent

In Year 1 and Year 2 we have been learning about Advent. People around the world do different things at Advent. Christmas is when Jesus was born. He was special.

By Isabella Rose Dolphins' Class

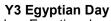
Our Methodist Church Trip

Yesterday, Cats' Class went to the Methodist Church. First green group and yellow group role



played the story of Jesus. I was a wise man in the play. It was a nice role play. When the play ended we had a biscuit and juice. I chose the red juice. Then I made a wise man to put on the Christmas tree.

By Khoulah Nawaz Cats' Class





On Tuesday 5th December, Y3 had an Egyptian day. We all came as pharaohs and queens. All the Tutankhamen's had their photo taken together. After break we swapped classes and drew special symbols on a paper plate and cup to stop evil spirits getting through our mouths whilst we ate or drank! We made amulets which were the eye of Horus as well. In the afternoon we had a big feast and we got to try lots of new foods.

By Ben Wilkinson 3C

On 5th December, Y3 had an Egyptian day. We also had an Egyptian feast. Some of the things we ate at the feast were: pitta bread, feta cheese, pomegranate and figs, but my favourite was the hummus. We dressed up as Ancient Egyptians as well as making an amulet called the eye of Horus.

By Zaidaan Nawaz 3C



KS2 Christmas Activity Day

A huge "thank you" to Mickleover Tesco and their Community Champion—Mindy Atwell, for donating 250 satsumas for our KS2 Christmas Activity Day goodie bags.



Ancient Greece

We study the Greek era because of the things that the Ancient Greeks left behind. This is called a legacy. Legacies are things that we still use in modern times even though they are from a long time ago.

An example of a legacy from Greek times is the amazing architecture. It includes a wide range of marble temples with either: lonic, Doric or Corinthian pillars. Temples had a pediment, which was a triangular roof, with a carving on. A lot of rich and modern houses today have pillars too –

in the style of Ancient Greece.

Another part of the Greek legacy is theatre and myths. They both usually have gods, a hero and a beast. The hero would discover the beast and have to defeat it, whilst gods interfered with the battle. These stories are still told today.

Maths is also part of their legacy: Pythagoras discovered how to work out missing angles and Aristotle came up with the idea of animal kingdoms.

Democracy was a big part of Greek life in Athens, as well as in our society today. However, some states were ruled by kings who did not let ordinary people have a say.

Many of today's great athletes would not be famous today without the Greeks, for believe it or not, the Olympics were first introduced by the Greeks over 2,000 years ago. They were very different to today's Games. The Ancient Olympics were held near Olympus because it was easy to get to from all cities. Prizes were given but it wasn't a medal: they received crowns made from laurel leaves.

By Ruby Chapman 6H

Sunday 1666

You wouldn't believe your eyes, Thomas the baker, stupidly left the oven on and the whole street was on fire. The houses were made out of wood so they burned easily. All the people were scared because of the fire. Everyone was carrying barrels of water there and back but it was not working. A man called Samuel Pepys started to write about the unfolding events in London. The



Navy decided to pull down some houses so that the fire would have nothing to burn. Early on Monday morning, people decided to sail away in boats so they would be safe. Carts were banned from going near the fire so they wouldn't burn. The fire spread very close to the Tower of London. On Tuesday, St Paul's Cathedral was destroyed to ashes. On Wednesday the wind slowed down and the fire burned more slowly until it was finally put out.

By Molly Shaw Tigers' Class

Sunday 2nd September, 1666. When I got out from my warm, cosy, light blue bed, I rubbed the sleep out of my eyes. Just then I jumped in horror because I saw flames jumping from house to house, leaving destruction across the city. I saw Thomas' bakery on fire. For some strange reason, I saw all of Thomas' family escape, except the maid.

By Harry Davies Owls' Class



Making Pancakes

On Wednesday 6th December, Y6 made pancake filling for the pancakes we had made earlier in the week with Mr Goodwin in the kitchen. We all went out in fours; some people made savoury whilst others made sweet. I made a sweet pancake with chocolate, honey yoghurt, cherries and raspberries. Our pancakes had to be healthy and we were only allowed to use a small amount of unhealthy food!

By Jessica Boardman 6MH

The staff and children of Mickleover Primary School wish you all a Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.



DON'T FORGET WE COME BACK TO SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY 3rd JANUARY

