

# Loddington Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we near the end of a very long and busy term, I would like to thank you for your continued support, particularly the very generous raffle donations. As always, we have achieved so much. The children made us very proud of their performances in The Big Little Nativity and Lights, Camel, Action! last week and they are ready for a well-deserved rest and peaceful break. We look forward to welcoming the children back on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024**.

Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas.

Mrs Dowsett



## School Vision



Loddington Primary is a family community where everyone is nurtured and truly valued. We strive to ensure that all our children enjoy school in our happy, welcoming environment. Through our engaging curriculum and placing Christian Values at the heart of what we do, we hope to inspire children to become confident and caring individuals who live life in all its fullness.

***Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life, and have it in all its fullness." John 10:10***

***Our focus value is Peace.***

The Lord Bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make his face shine on you  
And be gracious to you;  
The Lord turn his face toward you  
And give you peace. 6:24-26

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The Big Little Nativity



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## Attendance and Absences

As a school, we do monitor attendance very closely, given the significant impact it can have on education. Our aim is for all pupils to be greater than 96%. We do understand that illness does impact upon this. Do please remember, where possible we are here to support you. If your child can be in school, we can administer medicine and make allowances, such as staying in at break, to ensure they do not miss too many lessons and can keep up, rather than catch up. Please remember to record your child's absence each day by either phoning the school Office or leaving an absence message in ParentMail.



Our gate opens at **8:40am** and closes promptly at **8:50am**, to allow children to settle, be registered and to start their first lesson. Please ensure your children are in by this time, it allows for a calm, focused start to the day.

## Save the date - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024



Our spectacular 160th Year Celebrations at The Recreation Ground in Loddington - food, refreshments, music, games, face painting and lots more. More information from FOLs to follow in the new year!



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## Minibus Fundraising

As we continue to raise funds for a new minibus, I would like to thank Loddington church for their recent donation. We are very lucky to have the support of our wonderful community. The current total so far is: £2,210 Just Giving Page, £5,623.89 Bus Fund Bank Account.

## Christingle Service at St Leonards Church, Loddington

Our Christingle Church Service is taking place on **Wednesday 20th December** at 2pm, refreshments will be served from 1.30pm. Everyone is very welcome to attend.



## House Teams Tally - Weekly Winners



Date	House Team Colour
24 <sup>th</sup> November	Yellow
1 <sup>st</sup> December	Red
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Green
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Yellow

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## Christingle Class Prayers



### Year R/1

Like the lights of the Christmas candles that shine upon us,  
Lord, may your love warm our hearts with the glow of your presence.  
Let us find peace and goodwill so that we can celebrate in the true spirit of Christmas.  
Amen.

### Year 2

Thank you for all the fun and excitement of Christmas.  
Thank you for the amazing nativity story, that tells us about the birth of Jesus.  
Help us to share special times with family and friends this Christmas,  
And to share the light, hope and gift of Jesus to the world.  
Amen.

### Year 3/4

Thank you for this time of Christmas and special times with our friends and families. Help us to recall the birth of Jesus, your Son, a gift to the world. As we look at the lights all around us this Christmas time, help us to remember the light that he brings to the world.  
Thank you for all the delicious food, treats and celebrations all around us at Christmas time, and help us to be thankful for all that we have, remembering those that are less fortunate than us.  
We thank you Lord.  
Amen.

### Year 5/6

Thank you that Jesus was born so that we can celebrate Christmas, we are grateful for Jesus being alive. We are also grateful that we can spend time with family at Christmas. Please can you help bring peace at Christmas. Please will you make sure everyone has a good Christmas.  
Amen.

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## Year R/1 - Phoenix



Wow, what another incredible term R/1 have had! I can't believe how quickly the last few weeks have gone. The Reception children have become story tellers this term with our key text 'The Little Red Hen'. The children confidently re told the story with actions and have been working hard with their letter writing. Year One have also been working hard re writing the story 'Little Red Riding Hood'. In Maths, the Reception children have been working hard identifying numbers to 5 and representing them in different ways and Year One have been working on their number bonds. What a busy term! I hope you all have a wonderful, restful Christmas break and I can't wait to welcome you all back in January!

## Year 2 - Dragon



Year 2 have been superstars this term and performed so confidently in our Christmas play at the Masque theatre. They have also been working very hard on their hot writes. They are reimagining the big ideas of Little Red Riding Hood and replicating them to a new plot. In Maths, Year 2 have been exploring addition and are about to tackle adding two 2-digit numbers by crossing a 10. I am so proud of your hard work this term Year 2, have a wonderful Christmas!

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## Year 3/4 - Centaur



Centaur class has been extremely busy over the last few weeks completing units of work ready for the end of term. In English, we've completed independent pieces of writing persuading people to buy a Christmas toy or dessert. In Science, we have completed our work on food chains, and explored food webs in different habitats. We are currently busy finishing our DT project which is to design and build a stable pavilion structure using a range of materials and techniques. All the children have worked incredibly hard this term and I think we are all looking forward to a well-deserved holiday. I wish you all a lovely Christmas and a Happy New year.

## Year 5/6 - Griffin



As we come to the end of a very busy half term, I am incredibly proud of how hard the children have worked and the perseverance they have shown. The last few weeks have been filled with Christmas play rehearsals, assessments and finishing units of work. In English, the children have written instructions about how to steal Christmas, they have produced some fantastic writing! In Science, the children have finished the unit by investigating how shadows are affected by different materials. In History, the children's final lesson of the unit was all about Victorian crime and punishment. I hope that you all have a well-deserved rest over Christmas.

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## Dates for your Diary

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3/4 Christmas Party.
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Year R/1, Year 2 and Year 5/6 Christmas Party.
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5/6 PE Lesson at 9am.
	Christingle Service at St Leonard's Church, Loddington at 2pm. Tea/coffee served from 1.30pm. All very welcome.
	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM. School closes at 3.20pm 😊</b>
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	<b>School Re-Opens @ 8.40am</b>



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