

# Newsletter

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## Our School Blog...

T'was the week before Christmas and all through the school,  
There was glitter and glue and dancing in the hall.  
The children were busy with paper and paste  
The mess that they made couldn't be faced.

Miss Nagy half frantic and almost in tears,  
Settled down to work with her little dears.  
Mr Keyes stood quiet with his hands on his head  
All he could think about was hitting his bed.

When out in the hall arose such a clatter  
Up sprung the kids to see what was the matter.  
Away to the windows they flew like a flash  
Mr Nicholas wincing and waiting for the crash.

Across the playground they saw, with eyes open wide  
All of the kitchen staff taking turns on the slide.  
And soon to their wandering eyes did appear  
Andy saying "Looks like rain dear"

Out shot the office staff, ever so quick  
They weren't ones to miss out on a trick.  
More rapid than eagles the TA's they came,  
Andy whistled and shouted and called them by name

Now, Manton! Now Provis! Now Pascoe and Warne  
Off Allen! Off Franklin Off Jackson and Dwan!  
Back to the classroom, back to the school  
Now Dash away! Dash Away! Dash away all

Away they did scatter, away they did run  
Yet out snuck Mr Deadman looking for fun  
Followed by Mrs Lowe and soon Miss Jane  
Soon they were joined by Mrs Prince and the rain.

And then in a twinkling, they heard on the floor  
Miss Edney, Miss Mewton and behind them Miss Moore  
As the kids drew their heads in and were turning around  
Out shot Mrs HV and Miss Burr with abound

The playground was full and still they came down the path  
Even Mrs Moseley seemed to be having a laugh  
As the rain turned to snow, oh how they played  
Finally they were joined by Miss Routledge and Mrs Slade

Miss Freight added music and people started to sway  
The children were cringing and looking away.  
Mrs Camell and Miss Middleton soon joined the crowd.  
Mrs Cunningham was reluctant as the music was loud.

Cars began to appear and parents arrived  
Just as Mrs Biggers was leading the jive  
The children slipped off and not even one  
Wanted to remember the image of the teachers having fun

It was the end of the term, the longest one ever  
So they wanted to party no matter the weather  
They'd worked hard the whole term, despite the virus  
And now they were dancing to the great Miley Cyrus

One by one they left in their cars  
Home to their loved ones, families or bars....  
Looking forward to sleep and no morning alarms  
Dreaming of the turkey that was still on the farm.

Off went everyone and Mr Hobbs grabbed his keys  
Jumped in his car and moved off with ease.  
But they heard him exclaim as he drove out of sight  
Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night

Mr Hobbs and Miss Jane



## This week's achievers

Well done to the children below for following our BB Rules for Life. This week, we are celebrating our achievements in maths!

### Little Doves

Archie

For making great progress and showing a good understanding of how to use the maths resources to support his work

### Little Fish

Joe

For blowing Mrs Horwell away with your mathematical knowledge

### Little Lambs

Jed

For always working hard in maths lessons with great enthusiasm

### Peacocks

Teddy

For always impressing us with your maths knowledge

### Pelicans

Robert

For working hard throughout the term in your maths lessons

### Phoenix

Ethan

For good multiplication during maths

### Angels

Tyler

For learning to fully embrace a challenge in maths this year and consider a range of systematic methods of working. Miss Edney is so proud of you as you're an incredible mathematician!

### Faith

Ethan

For his amazing attitude. You achieve so much because you are willing to have a go and take a risk!

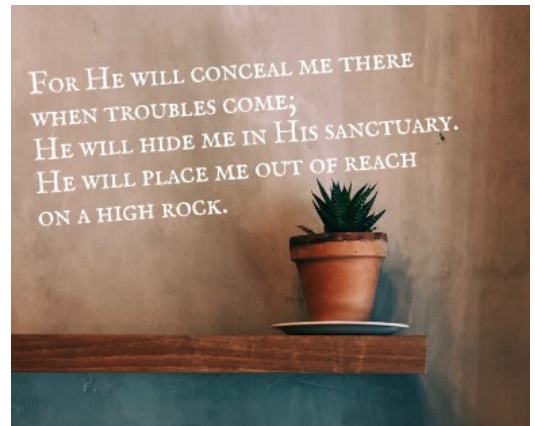
### Hope

Archie

For always embracing a challenge and for always finding the most efficient methods—you are a star!

## This week's achievers...

This week, we learnt about and celebrated the Christian value, **courage**. During Collective Worship on Monday, we talked about the importance of believing in ourselves and having the courage to trust in God as we are taught in the Bible. Mr Hobbs retold the story of David and Goliath emphasising the courage shown by David when he knew that God would look after him..



### Little Doves

Alex

For getting through a tough time with a smile

### Little Fish

Francesca

For having the courage to share her thoughts and feelings

### Little Lambs

Ethan

For standing up and taking extra line in the Nativity at the last moment and performing them really well

### Peacocks

Ebony

You are showing so much courage when working independently. We are so proud of you

### Pelicans

Olivia

For using the scooters in Wild Tribe

### Phoenix

Ella

For showing courage in PSHCE

### Angels

Lily

For growing in confidence and 'coming out of your shell' to fully engage with and join in with class discussions.

### Faith

Eve

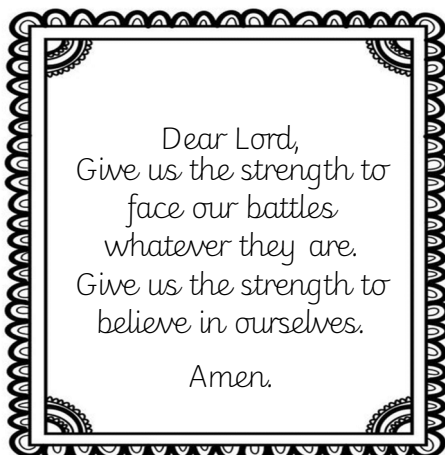
Who believes in herself each and every day and has the courage to have a go, even when tasks are tricky!

### Hope

Jake

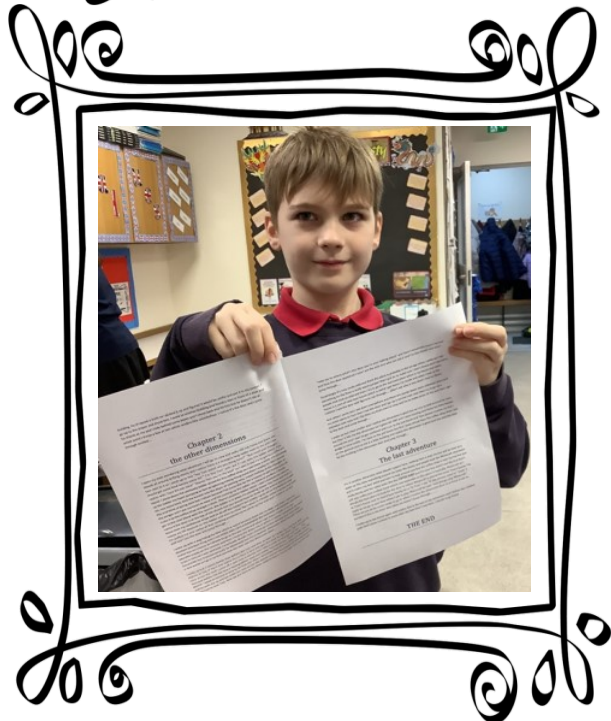
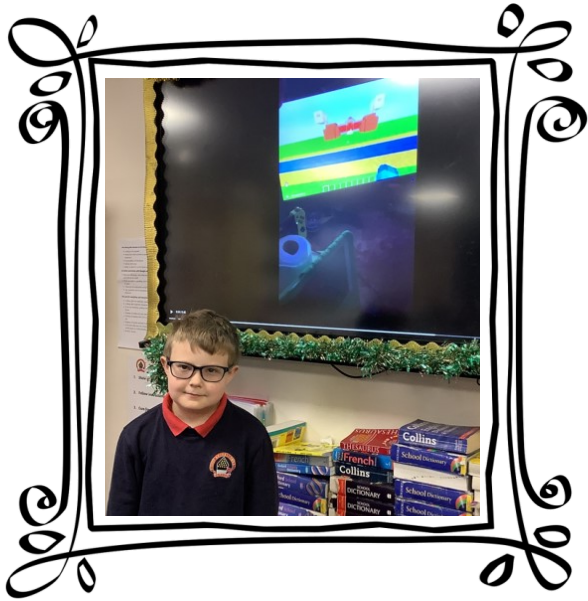
For being so brave and courageous when reading his part for the virtual Christmas Carole concert

Your ideas are incredible!





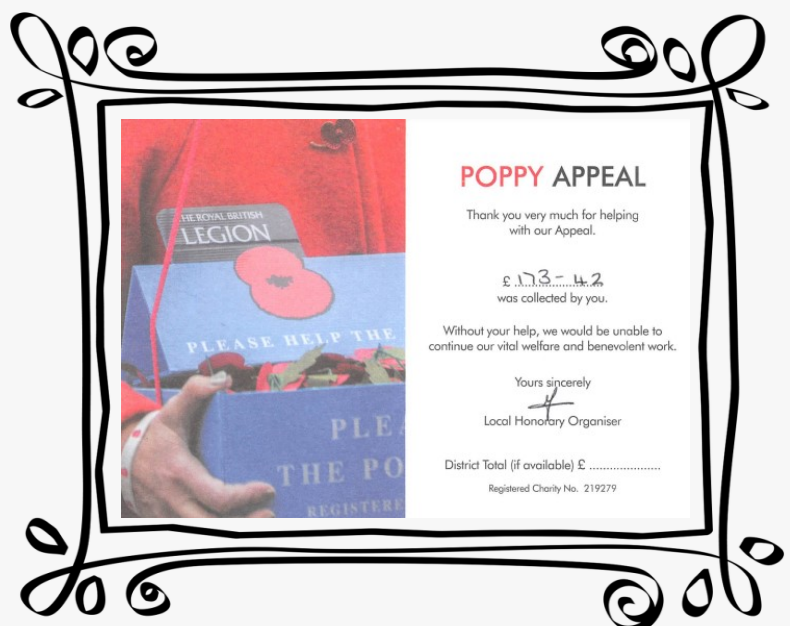
# Amazing Work



Thank you so much that  
donated to the Poppy appeal.

We raised a huge £173.42.

Thank you



## Exciting things...

Many thanks to Rev. Jules for hosting our Christingle Collective Worship on zoom this week. The children enjoyed making their Christingles, thinking about what each of the different parts represents.

Also, a huge thank you to St Luke's Church for providing the oranges required to make this possible!



It was my absolute pleasure to deliver your generous 'Christmas present appeal' donations to Salvation Army this week.

Lieutenant Rebekah was overwhelmed with the donation and thanked us for helping them make Christmas special for people who would not have had Christmas presents otherwise.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Mrs Horwell



A massive thank you to St Luke's Church and to Mrs Hill for making the most amazing cake that we had delivered earlier this week.

There isn't a lot left.....

Love all at BB





# Reading



## BB Reading Round Up - Autumn 2

Gran Miss Moore



Let's be honest, we like any excuse to share a good book here at BB. Add hot chocolate, a roaring fire and your closest family and friends and you've got your very own 'Jotabokaflod'. This is an Icelandic tradition where books are exchanged on Christmas Eve. They then spend the rest of the night reading and eating chocolate! Not surprisingly, Iceland's book-loving inhabitants and sky-high literacy rate seem inextricably linked. Why not hold your own Jotabokaflod and enjoy the opportunity for some quality time and a lovely new book on Christmas Eve?



### Ade Edmondson's guide to reading stories over Christmas



There's no better time to share stories as a family than at Christmas. So, author and actor Ade Edmondson has given us his tips on the best ways to enjoy them...

My friend Rachel says her Gran won't allow anyone to use phones or even watch the TV on Christmas Day. Her Gran says it's a day for sharing with the rest of the family, for eating too much and for playing board games. And why not for reading to each other as well?

Here's an idea. Instead of watching the same old films that are always on the telly at Christmas, why not practice reading a chapter from your favourite book (or a whole book if it's not too long) and read it out loud to the rest of the family.

#### The best times to read over Christmas

1. On Christmas Eve, just before bedtime.
2. On Christmas Eve, just after bedtime (remember to take a torch to bed).
3. On Christmas morning outside your parents' bedroom door. Instead of waking them up shouting, 'Has he been? Has he been?' you could read them *A Visit from St. Nicholas* by Clement Clarke Moore. It's only three minutes long!
4. After everyone's stuffed themselves with turkey and pudding, and everyone's in a brilliant mood - read them the funniest chapter of a book you've ever read.

#### Here's a handy guide to how long it takes to read some Christmas classics.

3 mins: *A Visit from St. Nicholas* by Clement Clarke Moore. This is the one that starts, 'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house, not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.'

8 mins: *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* by Dr. Seuss. Or double that if you stop and examine all the pictures, which is worth doing.

20 mins: *A Child's Christmas in Wales* by Dylan Thomas. This one will have your parents weeping in no time at all, a) because they will be remembering the Christmases of their youth, or b) because they are Welsh.

2 hrs: *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens. Or, as it is written in five chapters, you could read a chapter each evening in the run-up to Christmas. Or maybe take it in turns to read a chapter each?

#### Getting ready to read out loud

Did you know that Charles Dickens used to really enjoy doing public readings of *A Christmas Carol*? He crossed out about 25% of the book and made it about 85 minutes long. You can see this edited copy in the New York Public Library, or there are pictures of it online.

If you're going to read something aloud, don't be afraid of editing it yourself. Books are generally written to be read to yourself, and reading aloud you often find that sticking to the main story is more exciting for the listeners.

Merry Christmas!



## Introducing some of our BB Reading Ambassadors 2021-2022!

Being a Reading Ambassador is all about reading for pleasure and sharing the enjoyment of a great book! Our Ambassadors have been chosen for their love of reading and their enthusiasm to share this with others. As well as encouraging others to read more and to find their own love of reading, our ambassadors will be the first to get to know about new books and all things reading related. They will then share with the rest of the school anything new they have tried out and liked!



### Primary School Book Gift Guide 2021

Recommended for ages 3-5

**NEW for this Christmas**

**Recommended Bedtime Stories**

**Super-fun stories**

**Classic Stories**

**Non-Fiction Books**

**Award Winning Books**

**Gorgeous Gift Books**

For more book lists themed by age group or topic, visit [booksfortopics.com](http://booksfortopics.com)

### Primary School Book Gift Guide 2021

Recommended for ages 7-9

**NEW for this Christmas**

**Recommended Bedtime Stories**

**Super-fun Stories**

**Getting Hooked on Reading**

**Non-Fiction Books**

**Award Winning Books**

**Gorgeous Gift Books**

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### Primary School Book Gift Guide 2021

Recommended for ages 5-7

**NEW for this Christmas**

**Recommended Bedtime Stories**

**Super-fun stories**

**First Chapter Books**

**Non-Fiction Books**

**Award Winning Books**

**Gorgeous Gift Books**

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### Primary School Book Gift Guide 2021

Recommended for ages 9-11

**NEW for this Christmas**

**Recommended Bedtime Stories**

**Super-fun stories**

**Getting Hooked on Reading**

**Non-Fiction Books**

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# Dates for your diary...

4th January 2022 - First day of the Spring term

2021/22 Inset Days: Mon 6th June 2022 / Mon 25th Jul 2022 / Tues 26th Jul 2022

## Notices



**Fun activities for everyone varying from circus skills to multi-sports and every session includes a FREE meal for all children.**

Activities are taking place across Cornwall during the Christmas holidays, from December 20th - 23rd.

Find one in your area by visiting our website:  
[www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme](http://www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme)

- Free places for ALL children eligible for Free School Meals
- Activities available for children aged 5-16

For more information contact:  
Time2Move.HolidayProgramme@cornwall.gov.uk  
01872 323335



The winter issue of 'All About Family' can be found by following the link below.

It contains advice on Tik Tok, Instagram, swimming, homework and lots more!



<http://www.allabout-family.co.uk/national-magazine/>



Director/Trustee Vacancy

Do you have professional or business expertise you'd like to share in a strategic role within our multi-academy trust?

Celtic Cross Education has a vacancy on its board of directors, and this challenging and rewarding position could be just for you.

Directors (also known as trustees) are volunteers with a range of skills and their main responsibilities are to:

- Hold executive leaders to account for the educational, safeguarding and financial performance of the trust.
- Set the strategic direction of the trust.
- Ensure the trust's financial success and probity.

If you have worked in HR, law, risk management, finance or communication, or have skills in problem solving, critical listening or leadership, we would welcome an application from you.

This is a fantastic opportunity to help shape the future of our trust for the benefit of all our pupils.

Please email [recruitment@celticcross.education](mailto:recruitment@celticcross.education) for an application pack and further information or click [here](#) to visit our website.

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**CURRENT VACANCIES AT SCHOOL**

**Part time KS2 Teacher**  
**General TA's with hours to be confirmed**

**CURRENT VACANCIES ACROSS THE TRUST**

**Finance Officer - Central Office**  
**P E Teacher - Various schools across the Trust**  
**PE Teaching Assistant/Technician/Apprentice - various school across the Trust**  
**Parent Support Advisor/TIS Practitioner - to cover St Tudy, St Mabyn, Lerryn and St Winnow schools**  
**Casual Teaching Assistant - various schools across the Trust**  
**Casual Teacher - various schools across the Trust**

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