

# *Princess Fred's Matters*



*"For to us a child is born. To us a son is given and he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace" Isaiah 9: 6-7*

Wednesday 21st December '16

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **A Christmas message**

The Headship Team along with all the staff would like to thank all parents and carers for your support this term. It has been wonderful to see so many parents and carers in school to celebrate the achievements and talents of the children. We Wish you all a peaceful Christmas time and a restful holiday. We look forward to seeing you all back in 2017!

## **Philosophy For Children (P4C)**

Last Thursday and Friday, Nick Chandley –a leading trainer for the philosophy for children project (SAPERE)– visited our school and worked with parents, teachers and children on further spreading the benefits of teaching philosophy for children in our school. He was warm in his praise for the enthusiasm he felt from teachers, parents and children and we look forward to working with Nick again soon. We would also like to thank parents who attended workshops and commented so positively on the new subject being taught in school. P4C is taught every week for children in Years 2-6.

## **Nativity**

Last week saw the culmination of weeks of hard work and rehearsals as the children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 put on two fantastic nativity performances. We were very proud of all the children who performed and very impressed by the range of singing, speaking, acting and humour that filled the story. Thanks must go to Ms Christopher and Mr Tang for being the masterminds behind the production.

## **Christmas Lunch**

The children, staff and visiting governors enjoyed a lovely, festive lunch yesterday. The atmosphere was jolly as children pulled crackers, wore hats (showing off their artistic talent) and shared bad jokes as the gobbled down turkey and all the trimmings with it. A big thank you to our head chef, Costa, and his fantastic kitchen team.



### Love thy Neighbour

For the second time this year, The Headship Team had the pleasure of welcoming children for an afternoon tea as reward for their consistent use of a particular (or combination of) school value over the past half-term. Children enjoyed tea, squash, biscuits and muffins. We were also joined by tour guides from Year 6 who were recognised for the fantastic job they have repeatedly done when showing parents or visitors around our school.

Woody Mitchell	Reception Paris	Prisha Varsani	Year 3 Canberra
Flora Reynolds	Reception France	Cameron Robinson	Year 4 New Zealand
Sam Oakes	Year 1 Ottawa	Mia Harpin	Year 4 Wellington
Zoe Hill	Year 1 Canada	Prudence Osaje	Year 5 Lisbon
Sam Rivetti Downey	Year 2 USA	Elizabeth Ulusele	Year 5 Portugal
Tyler Erber	Year 2 Washington	Benjamin Grainger	Year 6 Russia
Malaiyah Richards	Year 3 Australia	Jangchup	Year 6 Moscow



# Star of the Week

	Week beginning 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Week beginning 12 <sup>th</sup> December
Year Group and Class	Child and Reason for Star of the Week award	Child and Reason for Star of the Week award
Reception Paris	Harrison Cochrane Hanley for making progress in reading and improvement in attention.	Florence Dodd for making improvements
Reception France	Leo for being independent in his learning.	Magnus for persevering with tasks and working hard.
Year 1 Canada	Davide De Oliveira for excellent work in Maths.	George Cator for learning the words and singing so beautifully in our Christmas Nativity.
Year 1 Ottawa	Claudia Phillips for always being enthusiastic about her learning and encouraging others to feel the same.	Olivia Rychter for always trying her best even when things get difficult and demonstrating excellent listening. Well done Olivia! Keep it up!
Year 2 USA	Kelsea Hayden for showing great progress in Maths especially when solving word problems.	The whole class for a fantastic performance in the Nativity.
Year 2 Washington	Ella Marcon for fantastic achievement in maths this term.	The whole class for a fantastic performance in the Nativity.
Key Stage 1 PE	No award this week.	Isaac in Year 2 Washington for all round effort, commitment and enthusiasm. Maddie in Year 2 USA for all round effort, commitment and enthusiasm.
Year 3 Australia	No award this week.	Beth Tyson for writing an excellent information text using formal language.
Year 3 Canberra	Elliot Puleston for a significant improvement in his handwriting and for making a huge effort in joining his letters.	George Main Sin for writing his own amazing and very neat traditional tale, using a lot of adjectives, and including a great moral.
Year 4 New Zealand		Kate Fox for her superb use of fronted adverbials, quotes and descriptive language in her news report.
Year 4 Wellington	Sachin Parahsingh for always putting maximum effort into his work.	Isabella Campbell for persevering with her handwriting until it was all joined, giving her a pen licence.
Year 5 Portugal	Tallulah Laughton for her outstanding effort and commitment to preparation for assessments during assessment week.	Jemima Chalaby for her positive attitude towards all areas of learning in the classroom.
Year 5 Lisbon	Millie Brown for fantastic effort and concentration working on improper fractions in Maths.	Caleb Cheng for fantastic effort and work writing reports in English.
Year 6 Russia	Sujal for working to a high standard at all times and participating in all discussions in class.	Benjamin Grainger-Smith for being kind to his peers in and around the school. He is also very helpful in class.
Year 6 Moscow	No award this week.	Sapphire for excelling herself in assembly and in other subjects, demonstrating an outstanding object drawing in art.
Key Stage 2 PE	No award this week.	William in Year 6 Russia for all round effort, commitment and enthusiasm. Asterid in Year 5 Lisbon for all round effort, commitment and enthusiasm.