

Christmas Performances

This week, Year 2 performed their Christmas production 'A Bundle of Joy' to their parents and carers. The children wowed us all with their fantastic acting and jubilant singing. We are all incredibly proud of them!



School Choir

Yesterday, the year 5/6 choir sang Christmas carols to the Sainsbury's veterans at their annual Christmas gathering at Windmill Hill Golf club.

This year, as well as their usual 'payment' of squash and biscuits for the choir, they also gave a £50 donation towards the school minibus fund.

Thank you veterans and well done to the choir!



HOUR OF CODE

With the Digital Leaders

Across the school, children had an 'Hour of Code' this week as Digital Leaders planned and delivered a lesson with the support of free website resources. Hour of Code is a global movement which started in December 2014.

It is one hour of Computer Science programming and it has over 400 partners, and over 20,000 educators participate each year. In its 11th year, some of the children took the Hour of Code to new heights by taking part in coding opportunities that encompass both artificial intelligence (AI) and non-AI components.

Children (and their parents!) can continue their learning by visiting

<https://hourofcode.com/uk>



Learning Behaviours

At Caroline Haslett Primary School, we have 8 characters that help us remember the skills of an effective learner in all of our lessons.

Next week's character will be Charlie the Co-operative Camel. Encourage your child to practise the skills listed below and be like Charlie.

I listen to others.
I ask when I don't understand.
I am kind when I disagree.
I explain things to help others.

Hi I'm Charlie the 'Co-operative' camel.



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I ask when I don't understand

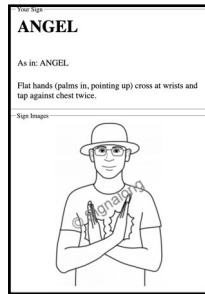
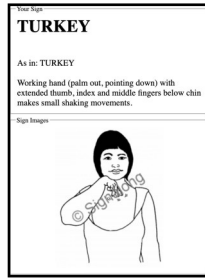
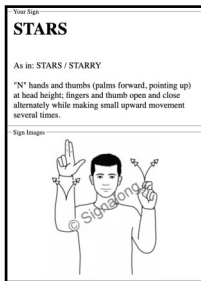
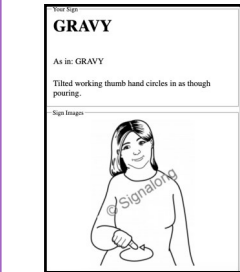
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Signs of the Week

We have festive signs for December.

The signs for this week are:



Here is Matthew to help you:
<https://youtu.be/HIfM5rISsQM?si=Y7JTkAwocA5y4apw>

Computing

Year 2 have been creating interactive stories in Scratch Junior. The unit explored story-writing and digital storytelling as a way of introducing the computing fundamentals of sequence, repetition, and selection. Our stories included animation, graphics and audio to tell a story.



Year 6 Fundraiser

The Year 6 fundraiser raised an amazing £200.19 for Willen Hospice!

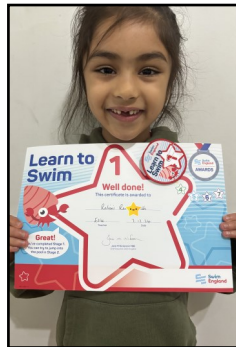
Thank you all for your support.

Well done to Ayla, Tosia, Mia and Sidhisree for organising the event.

Pupil Achievement

Rahini from Upton class passed her Stage 1 Swimming Certificate.

Well done Rahini!



Pupil Achievement

Mason from Upton class has graduated from a white belt to a red belt in his Kick Boxing group and we are very proud of him.

Well done Mason!



Online Safety Byte

Are you buying your child a device for Christmas?
Remember to

- 1) Research the device and how the parental controls work.
- 2) Set up the device with your child
- 3) Discuss and agree on healthy device habits
- 4) Keep yourself informed about the Apps and websites they are using.

More information and advice can be found at: bit.ly/41x4zby



Lost Property

All of the lost property will be outside the front of the school office on Thursday and Friday morning next week.

Please come along and take a look for any items that your child may have lost!

All unclaimed items will be disposed off on Friday afternoon.



Friends of CHPS

Reindeer Race Night

Last Friday we held our first Reindeer Race Night in the school hall. A great time was had, in particular by the children, who couldn't get close enough!



There are always lessons to learn with new events, but with some tweaks, we think you'll be seeing more racing in the school's future!



Christmas Family Activity Bag Update

The 'Friends Elves' are getting your bags ready to be brought home before school breaks up next week!



Dates for the Diary

15th Jan 7:30pm - Friends Committee meeting, Staff Room
Jan/Feb date TBC - Foundation Bed Time Story Mixer

Looking to 2025

As well as the launch of an exciting new fund raising project in collaboration with the school, we will be running our popular events such as School Discos, Movies and Munchies, Easter Bingo and a Foundation Bed Time Story Mixer.

We would love to welcome new committee members who are willing to help us plan and run these events, so please put the **next meeting date** in your diary and come along on **15th Jan 7:30pm** in the **School Staff Room**.