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Dear parents and carers

As we approach the end of term and the festive season, I wanted to express my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support throughout the year. Your partnership in nurturing our students' growth is invaluable, and together, we've created a warm and thriving school community. Very early on, next term, I will release some headlines from the recent parent surveys showing what we have changed as a result of your feedback. Also, as promised, I will provide an updated version of the Stogursey School Blueprint for Improvement following our OfSTED inspection this year so you can see the progress we have been making.

Wishing you a joyous Christmas filled with love, laughter and cherished moments. May the new year bring us continued collaboration and success.

Warmest wishes

Gary Tucker
Headteacher

Beacon

All pupils in Stogursey School have worked very hard this week to make sure the nativity production was the very best yet. Children in Triscombe looked fabulous in their costumes and it was so lovely to see older pupils helping to make sure the costumes were fitted perfectly.

Pupils in Beacon Class helped with stage direction so the younger pupils remembered where they were supposed to be and when - brilliant teamwork.

As well as the Nativity, there has been plenty of festive fun in school this week, from making paper-chains, watching Christmas films to baking gingerbread people! We are all well and truly in the Christmas spirit.

Well done to everyone for all your hard work this term, now enjoy a well-earned rest!

Beacon Class.

Alfoxton

This week, Alfoxton class went on a Science walk around the village looking for different types of rocks; igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic. The class used a key to help them identify the different rocks found. The largest rocks discovered were the boulders outside Victory Hall. The class spent quality time discussing the markings and colours of each boulder before deciding they were a mixture of Quartzite, Anthracite and Gneiss. We had to actually look for the different types of rocks as we explored the village. There is far more different rock than expected.

Oscar and Daisy enjoyed discovering what types of rock were around the village.



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Triscombe

Triscombe have had a very busy first term. It has been lovely watching the Reception children settle into school, and to see the Year 1 and Year 2 children step up to the expectations of their current year groups. It is also wonderful to see the friendships develop amongst the children.

Over the past week we have been working very hard on rehearsing the nativity play. The children have done really well, and we are all very proud of them.

The children have enjoyed doing Christmas craft, and making the classroom sparkle with glitter! We have also been sharing lots of Christmas stories including some from around the world.

Our science learning has also been very creative. The children have been learning about materials, and what makes a good material for building. We discussed the properties that a material would need to be used for building the different parts of a shelter (roof, windows, doors, walls). The children then made shelters for cuddly toys and talked about the materials they had used, and how these could be improved.



French

Bonjour tous le monde!

This week, Alfoxton class completed their 'j'apprends le francais (I am learning French) unit. They now know how to introduce themselves - 'Je m'appelle ... ' as well as ask someone their name 'Comment tu t'appelles?'. They know how to ask someone how they feel 'Ca va? ' and respond with either 'Ca va bien', 'Ca va mal' or 'Comme ci comme ca'. Learning how to count to 10 was important because that's how many colours they learned - blanc, gris, noir, rouge, jaune, veryt, orange, bleu, violet and marron. The class did a super job practicing their speaking skills with each other and refining their accents to sound as authentically French as possible. Super job Alfoxton, well done!

Christmas at Stogursey



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Important Dates

Thursday 14th December:

Friday 15th December:

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Tuesday 2nd January:

Wednesday 3rd January:

Friday 9th February:

Monday 12th-16th February:

Monday 19th February:

Nativity at the Church 5.45pm-7.00pm (Children to arrive at 5.30pm)

Christingle at the church 2.00pm

Last day of term

Inset Day

First day back

Last day of term

Half Term

First day back

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