

## **Y5 We the Curious trip**

On Monday, Year 5 visited 'We the Curious' in Bristol. It was a fun-packed day and we all loved exploring the exciting Science exhibits. In the afternoon, we got to have a go at a workshop which helped us to think about the how to prepare for space exploration. One of our favourite experiments in the workshop involved using robotic arms to move objects - just like the Canadarm2 does on the International Space Station! Thank you to Mrs Walke, who came along to help. We had a great trip! Please go to the website to see some photos.

[http://www.chalfordhill.gloucs.sch.uk/our\\_children/classes/y5/y5\\_photos.html](http://www.chalfordhill.gloucs.sch.uk/our_children/classes/y5/y5_photos.html)

## **Festive Trips to the Woods**

Our Reception children took to the woods earlier this week and created some fabulous stars out of twigs. Meanwhile, our Year 2 produced an amazing Christmas tree - a super class effort.

## **PTA**

We returned to school on Monday to find that Santa's little helpers had been into school. Thank you to our wonderful PTA for sprucing up the hall with Christmas decorations and creating a lovely festive feel!

## **Staffing**

Congratulations to Mrs Liz Clarke who has recently secured a part-time teaching post. We wish her every success for the future and know that she will be sorely missed.

## **Panathlon Final**

On the 21<sup>st</sup> of November, a group of very talented children from Y4, 5 and 6 had the opportunity to go to the Copper Box arena at the Olympic stadium in London. We were competing in the Panathlon National Final. Following a string of successes, we ended up at the County final which we won and then went on to the National. After a four hour journey, we hopped off the mini bus and entered the arena. There were eight events to take part in. These were-Boccia blast, curling, races, table cricket, flight path, bean bag throwing, basketball and bowling. We really enjoyed the day and were awarded 5<sup>th</sup> out of eighteen schools. We ended up as the highest scoring school in the South West! Thank you to all the people that helped make it possible to take part.

*Mason and Ben I, Y6*

## **Christmas Card postbox**

If children have cards they would like to give to their friends, they may bring them in and post them in our postbox located at the bottom of the Year 3 / 4 stairs. Please make sure the names are written clearly and the envelopes have the relevant year group on them (e.g. YR for Reception). They are sorted and distributed by Year 6.

## **Infant Christmas Performance**

Final preparations are being made for the Infant Christmas Performance and children and staff are working hard to ensure you are in for a treat next week. As a reminder, performances are on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm and Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm. Please remember your tickets (or e-mail [admin@chalfordhill.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@chalfordhill.gloucs.sch.uk) for a reminder of your numbers).

## **Junior Carols**

Years 3 - 6 will be putting on a carol concert at school on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December in the evening. Further details will follow next week.

# REACH

Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded REACH certificates this week.

## Reception

Sebby - Effort  
Kitty - Achieve  
Eowyn - Achieve  
Winnie - Achieve

## Year 1

Rory - Achieve  
Phoenix - Achieve  
Nellie - Achieve  
Sophie - Achieve

## Year 2

Immy - Respect  
Billy - Respect  
Jude - Effort  
Harrison - Effort

## Year 3

Noah - Achieve  
Ruby - Achieve  
Owen - Respect  
Martha - Respect

## Year 4

Noah - Respect  
Lauren - Effort  
William - Achieve  
Toby - Challenge

## Year 5

Eva - Achieve  
Harvey - Effort  
Esme - Achieve  
Rosa - Achieve

And all of year 5 for  
the trip

## Year 6

Rebecca - Effort  
Laurie - Challenge  
Lola - Effort  
Izzy - Respect



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## Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Performance (2pm)
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Performance (6pm)
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole school RE day
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	House Tournaments
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Y2 trip to the woods
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Junior Carol Service