



Headteacher's Comment:

What a busy week it has been!

We've had so many wonderful moments to celebrate as we wrap up the year. Our week of festivities started with the church service with Reverend Julie setting the perfect tone for all of the celebrations. Our Nativity performance was absolutely lovely, bringing festive cheer to everyone. The KS2 Christmas Song Celebration was another highlight, filling the air with holiday spirit and joy.

Our Christmas dinner was a heart-warming occasion, with everyone coming together to enjoy a meal. A special thank you to the PTA for their generous donation of crackers for every child and for their continued support – it really added to the festive atmosphere.

This week, the new playground zones have worked wonderfully, allowing the children to enjoy their lunch breaks in a structured way, and we've seen many happy faces.

We would also like to thank the PTA for providing every class with some resources the teachers have chosen to enhance our children's learning experience. Your support as families has been invaluable, we can't thank you enough!

The discos last night were thoroughly enjoyed by all – it was a fun and festive way to end the week!

We've also seen a great improvement in attendance, with many families making a real effort to ensure their children arrive on time. Thank you for your continued support in this area – we look forward to seeing this positive trend continue into 2025.

Today, we celebrated the achievements of our students, with many receiving 100% attendance certificates or improved attendance certificates. Congratulations to all the children who achieved this – keep up the great work!

In terms of reading, it was a pleasure to award so many Bronze Owl awards this week. It's wonderful to hear how much our children are enjoying reading, and we must extend our thanks to our families for their engagement in helping children to develop a love for books. Reading is a lifelong skill, and we are grateful for the role you play in fostering that enthusiasm. Don't forget to send in photos of the children reading in unusual places over Christmas.

Finally, on behalf of all the staff, I would like to say a heartfelt thank you for your ongoing support and for the kind words and gestures we have received.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year – we look forward to seeing you in 2025!



Diary Dates

Friday 20 December – Last day of term

Friday 3 January – Inset day

Monday 6 January – First day back

Thursday 9 January - Forest school for Year 5 starts

Monday 20 January – Reception Road Safety presentation

Wednesday 29 January - Year 1 Class assembly

Wednesday 5 February - Year 5 Class assembly

Please note that some dates unavoidably may change. Apologies if this does happen.



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Weekly Attendance

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Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
Attendance	90%	93.3%	98.2%	93.4%	86.7%	97.5%	99.5%	94.3%

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Year 6	Year 2	Year 5



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 3 September

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
Attendance	95%	95.5%	94.1%	92.1%	91.7%	95.5%	93.3%	93.8%

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Year 1 & Year 5	Reception	Year 2



Stars of the week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Noah	Oscar	Charlie	Whole class	Tommy	Heidi	Hollie



Miss Townsend's Headteachers Award

Congratulations to Freddy in Reception for demonstrating significant improvement in speaking with confidence. Well done Freddy!



Reminders

If your child is absent, please ensure you leave a reason as to why they are absent. If you are unsure if your child should be at school please check the guidance from the [NHS](#).

Please make sure the children are wearing the correct uniform, the website outlines what the children should be wearing. Please remember we do not allow jewellery in school. Thank you
Please familiarise yourself with the DET Gifts and Hospitality policy which can be found [here](#).



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Reading at Home

Class	This table shows the number of children and percentages of children that have read this week.						Percentage reading 4 times or more
	Number of times children have read this week						
	0	1	2	3	4	5 or more	
Reception	1 (8%)	6 (46%)	1 (8%)			5 (38%)	38%
Year 1	1 (4%)	4 (18%)	1 (4%)	2 (9%)		10 (45%)	45%
Year 2		6 (27%)	1 (5%)	3 (14%)	4 (18%)	8 (36%)	54%
Year 3	4 (14%)	4 (14%)	5 (18%)	5 (18%)	1 (4%)	9 (32%)	36%
Year 4		1(5.3%)	1 (5,3%)	3(15.8%)	4(21.1%)	11 (57.9%)	79%
Year 5	14 (50%)	1 (4%)	3 (11%)	1 (4%)	3 (11%)	6 (20%)	31%
Year 6					6 (30%)	14 (70%)	100%
Total							51%

**Well done Year 6 for gaining this weeks
KHCS Reading at Home Award**





Merry
Christmas



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