



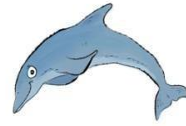
# Rode Heath Primary School

*"Inspiring learning; nurturing minds; achieving for life."*

December 2024



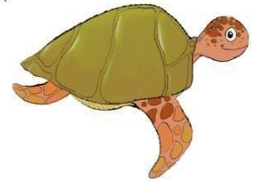
Curiosity



Teamwork



Fairness



Resilience

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope your preparations for the holiday period are going well and that you are starting to feel the festive cheer. It was a pleasure to see most of you during our parent consultations and we thank you for your continued engagement. The month of November has been a busy one and I am so proud of the children's constant enthusiasm for school - they are all doing exceptionally well.

During November there were a number of school trips: our Year 6 children visited the Chester Military Museum, Chester. This was a particularly poignant trip taking place close to Remembrance Day; they also visited Connah's Quay power station, too. Year 4 have had their Egyptian day (thank you to the parent volunteers who helped with the market hall); the hummus tasting session was a massive success! These trips add so much value to our curriculum and I thank parents/carers for their financial contributions towards these events. Without you, we couldn't enrich our curriculum.

In school, we were visited by the RSPCA who ran an assembly and classroom workshops and we were also visited by MyBnk who ran a number of excellent workshops around finances and money.

Alongside all of trips and the fabulous work going on in school, we have participated in two Crewe Alex football tournaments where we played some great football and scored some exceptional goals. We have also continued to perform to a high standard in the Sandbach football league.

We have so much more to look forward to over the next three weeks including, Christmas performances, carol concerts, our pantomime and a visit from a very special visitor!

Our Christmas Fayre on Friday was a huge success and a heartfelt thank you goes out to our wonderful PTFA who ran such a brilliant event. I am already looking forward to their next event!

## **Christmas Productions**

This week the Reception and Pre-school children will take part in a joint Christmas Celebration and next week the children in Year 1 and Year 2 will be taking part in our Christmas Nativity. Both events are open to parents/carers to attend and are ticketed events. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at these events.

## **School Tours**

School tours for April 2025 starters in the Pre School and Reception starters for September 2025 are now underway. Please book an appointment via the school office. Email [admin@rodeheath.cheshire](mailto:admin@rodeheath.cheshire) or call 01270 314414.

## **Pantomime**

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December the children in Reception to Year 6 will enjoy a pantomime from Chaplin's visiting theatre. Our fabulous Parent, Teacher and Friend Association have funded this. Children are encouraged to wear a Christmas Jumper should they wish to alongside their uniforms. *NB Should you choose for you child not to attend the panto please inform their class teacher.*

## School Dinners

I am pleased to announce that from January 2025, Chartwells will be our school lunch catering provider. Their menus offer a lot of variety and they cater for all dietary requirements. More information about prices and menus will be coming out to you shortly. Here is a bit about Chartwells and I have also included a link to their website for those who are interested:

*At Chartwells Schools, we create lifelong memorable moments by providing wholesome nourishment and exceptional learning at 1,800 schools across the country. We believe that the key to fuelling young minds comes from understanding both what they need and what they enjoy, which is why we develop nutritious and delicious food that pupils love, alongside helping to ensure a healthy body and mind.*

*We're committed to making nutritional food accessible to every pupil, which is a core value of our fantastic teams across every primary school we work in. We create menus that are delicious, seasonal and healthy, using carefully selected ingredients that we know pupils love to reduce waste and build a more sustainable world for our future generations.*

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## Medication

Can I please request that all medications come through the main office and any self-medication remedies such as throat sweets, throat soothers, etc. are not permitted. Please do not send any type of medication into school with your child/ren. On the contrary and due to it not being a form of medication, lip balm and hand cream is permitted (as long as this is not prescribed by the GP) for children who suffer from severe chapped hands and lips.

## Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December		Christmas Dinner Day
	2:15pm	EYFS (Pre-School and Reception) Christmas Celebration (Ticketed Event)
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	2:15pm	EYFS (Pre-School and Reception) Christmas Celebration (Ticketed Event)
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	2pm	Key Stage 1 (Y1 and Y2) Christmas Production (Ticketed Event)
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	6:00pm	Key Stage 1 (Y1 and Y2) Christmas Production (Ticketed Event)
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Morning	Year 5 Carol Service at All Saints' Church, Odd Rode: Y1 – Y6 to attend (Year 5 parents and grandparents welcome)
	Afternoon	Elf Run – all together (more information will come out soon)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December		Christmas Jumper Day / Whole School Panto: (Kindly funded by the PA) School Closes for the Christmas Break

Kind regards,

John Frankland

Year 3 making clay pots in the style of the artist 'Clarice Cliff'



Well done to the Football Team who played tonight at Sandbach United! 🏆

