

ARNESBY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

6th December 2024



At Arnesby School there are always lots of enjoyable learning at a high standard but at this time of year there are lots of activities happening as part of advent and the festive season.

The Christmas tree outside the village hall was decorated by the school council—see the pictures on page 6.

Don't forget your Christmas Jumper next week as we aim to raise money for Save the Children.

Our Nativity preparations are well under way and the Village Lantern Walk is also being pre-



pared by the Friends of Arnesby PTA.



Let's not forget the pantomime too next week which once again is supported and partly funded by the PTA which I'm sure will be great fun! (Oh not it won't! Oh yes it will!)

We are still playing outside at breaktimes and lunchtimes so please ensure that your children have coats and sturdy shoes to enjoy the winter weather!

Mrs James



UPCOMING EVENTS:

[Visits in school for prospective parents](#)

[Please book an appointment with the school office.](#)

Pantomime Trip to Century Theatre —Wednesday 11th December

Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children

Thursday 12th December

Nativity

Thursday 12th December and Friday 13th December - Village Hall

9.30am start

Thursday 19th December

Lantern Walk and Carols—start at 4.30pm at the Village Hall

Matthew

Jesus as
the King

Mark

Jesus as a
servant

Luke

Jesus as
the
saviour

John

Jesus as
God

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"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly". John 10.10

What's happening in school?



Peace Class—shining in drama

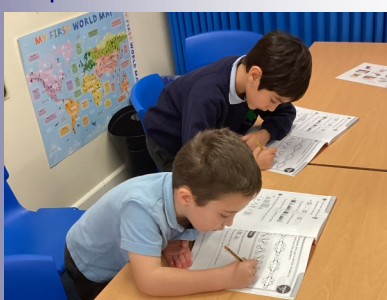
This week the children in Peace Class have been busy rehearsing for our Nativity "It's a party".



They have spent some time singing the songs and learning their parts. We have been to the village hall over the last few days to put it all together. The children are very excited and can't wait to perform it to everyone.

On Thursday we

had our dress rehearsal to make sure everything fitted. The children were very clear with their lines and sang beautifully. With this happily in their minds, Peace Class walked around the village posting invitations inviting the community to come and watch our performance. Children in KS2 helped to make the invitations.



We are still busy learning and enjoying our class based lessons too! In maths we are learning about shapes and

how to make repeating patterns.



We were also able to share what we are learning with Mrs Mullins, the Embrace Trust leader this week, during one of her regular visits to the school.

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Courage Class—shining in helping nature



Courage class have been learning about helping nature in our local environment.

We have been practising our noun phrases by describing what we can see

and would like to see in the school grounds.

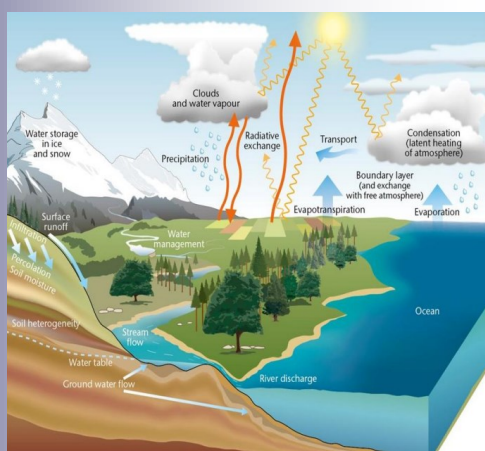


This week's home learning tasked the children with making a bird feeder from recycled materials and here are a selection of them which are now up in school being visited daily by a variety of our local birds.

Courage class are learning about levers and linkages in Design Technology. In pairs we have discovered how to make a snapping crocodile with jaws that move, using cardboard and split pins as pivots. However, it looks as though the crocodile is looking for some fun too!



Our next English Topic is instructions which the children have used in both DT and home learning this week! Do ask the children what a bossy verb is.



Our science topic continues with states of matter and we are looking at the water cycle both inside and outside the classroom this week!

In computing we have learned about what the inside of a tablet looks like this week and what key components are necessary for it to function.

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Endurance Class— shining in maths!

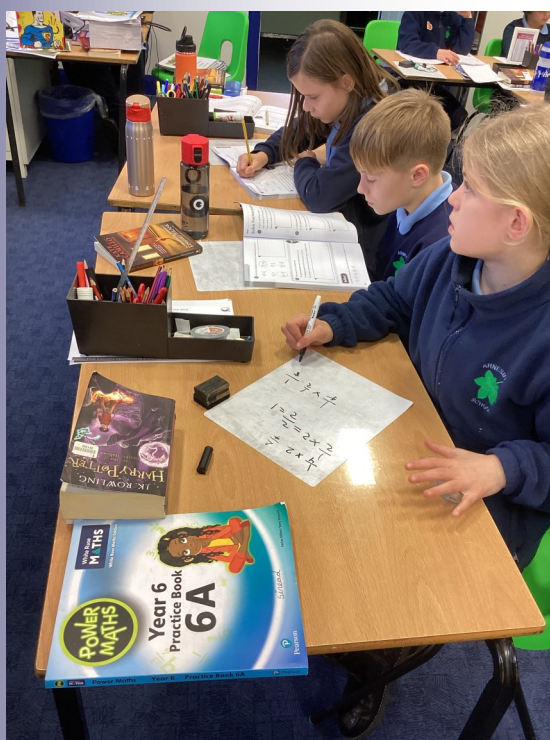


Primary Mathematics Challenge 2024

Well done to Endurance Class who all took part in the National Primary Mathematics Challenge for upper key stage 2 as part of their maths learning this week.

The questions were challenging and often puzzling but they did well and we are delighted that they tackled the questions with a great willingness and persevered to the end, living out our school values of resilience and independence. Well done.

Mrs Mullins, the Embrace Trust Leader also found Endurance class enjoying learning maths and wondering what maths problems might be found in Mr Kearney's intriguing Advent wall calendar!



This week we had our first book sharing style assembly of this academic year and it went exceedingly well.

Thank you to parents for supporting this as I think it was valuable to give parents the opportunity to come into school and have time to look at what their children have been learning and be able to talk to them about what they do at school.

It was a very positive and helpful experience for everyone.

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ATTENDANCE MATTERS!



**MOMENTS
MATTER,**

**ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Keep attending every day it makes such a difference to the children's learning and social interaction.

Our attendance so far is: 97.6%

Last newsletter was: 97.8%

At Arnesby School attendance is one of our areas for improvement and as such, is a high priority.

We must have a high level of attendance across the school to ensure that all children are given the best education possible.

Please support us in getting your children in school every day and on time.

Remember our school hours are:

School opens 8.35am Gates close at 8.45am

Learning starts at 8.45am prompt

Children arriving after 8.45am will be marked as late and MUST go directly to the school office for sign in NOT to the class as learning will have started.

End of school: 3.15pm

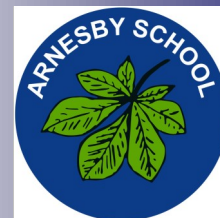
Our breakfast club is available from 8am to 8.45am facilitated by different members of staff.

In order to continue to offer our help to working parents and carers, please book places for the breakfast club **a week in advance and especially not over the weekend for a place on the following Monday or Tuesday morning.**

Thank you

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"Where every child shines"

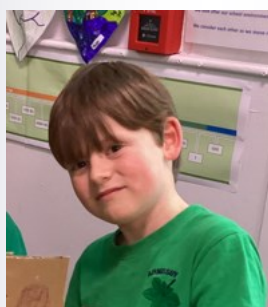


The School Council shining in decorating the village Christmas tree!

Well done to representatives of each class on the School Council who had such fun decorating the Christmas Tree outside the Village Hall.

Thank you to everyone who donated decorations as the children had great delight in discovering what was in each box!

We hope you agree that they did a wonderful job and hope that the decorations will withstand the wintry weather of the festive season!



Well done to Bernie who was shining as he was awarded player of the match at the weekends Rugby game.

Well done to Theo who was shining by winning 3 gold medals at a recent Judo event. He explained how he had won the medals for each bout, well done.

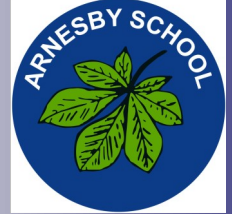


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Friends of Arnesby Primary



WHERE EVERY CHILD SHINES

Friends of Arnesby Primary
would like to invite you to

Save the Date
for our

**Christmas
Lantern walk**
on

**Thursday 19th December
4.30-6.30**

The children would love to invite you to join us
for a Christmas hunt around the village and
then join us back at the village hall for carols,
mince pies, mulled wine and Christmas
activities.

more
information to
follow

FRIENDS OF ARNESBY

FIZZ & QUIZ NIGHT | November 2024



£820 raised
for Arnesby
Primary School
Thank you
everyone xx



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What's happening in school?



LEGO Club

This half term we have been very lucky to have Mr and Mrs Cowley volunteering to run a Lego club after-school.



It has been a great success with a wide variety of different models made over the few weeks showing the children's creativity and ingenuity whilst having fun.

Thank you so much!



What's an INSET DAY?

The children have asked what happens at an INSET day and what does it mean?

INSET means in service training and teachers and support staff are usually in school for education specific training, refresher training or training updates.

However, this last INSET day was very special as all the schools in the Embrace Multi Academy Trust came together for a training conference featuring a wide range of superb workshops and excellent speakers.

We all learnt a lot and are bringing our ideas back into school to impact positively on the children's learning and all round education.



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Also, it was a chance to meet colleagues from other schools and share ideas as part of our continued professional development.

You may have seen these images on our social media feeds too!

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Information



Nurture at Arnesby

Nurture group is a safe space and a place for children who need a little extra support around their emotional well being including anxiety.

Nikki leads the nurture group every morning from 8.35am to 9am in the lodge for a small group of children. The lodge is a calm quiet space for children to talk about any concerns or worries they may have. During this time, they will learn how to build resilience and confidence ready to start their day on a positive note and be ready for learning as they return to the classroom.

Widening children's aspirations

Mrs James would like to invite parents, grandparents, other relatives, and friends into school to talk to the children about their jobs and what is interesting about them. Are you a scientist? A professional dancer? A farmer? An engineer?

If you think you can help or know someone who might be willing to talk to our wonderful children, please contact Mrs James via the school office.

Thank you.

A polite reminder around parental debt

School meals, clubs and trips are to be paid for in advance via your My Child at School account.

If debts are incurred, then the school budget has to pay for them. This means that money which should be spent on all pupils' learning in school is used to pay for debts incurred by individual parents/carers.

We hope that parents/carers understand this and make every effort to avoid owing the school money.

Thank you

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Keeping Children Safe



The 12 Days of Christmas Safety

Keep lit candles away from real trees, wreaths, boughs and garlands



1

Keep poisonous sweets and chocolates away from your pets



2

Keep your tree away from fireplaces, radiators and other heat sources



3

Make sure your tree has a stable platform so it doesn't tip over



4

Choose an artificial tree that is labelled flame resistant



5

If you have a real tree, make sure you water it regularly



6

Check your lights for fraying, bare spots and kinks in the wire



7

Turn off all tree lights and decorations when not in use



8

Use an appropriate ladder or stepladder when putting up decorations



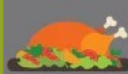
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No matter how tempting it may be NEVER drink and drive!



10

When preparing the food, make sure you avoid cross contamination and clean your surfaces and utensils



11

Make sure you reheat your leftovers to at least 74 degrees to avoid food poisoning



12

Merry Christmas



STAYING SAFE AT CHRISTMAS

HERE ARE A FEW TIPS FOR KEEPING YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES SAFE DURING THE FESTIVE SEASON.

New toys can pose a risk to children, especially when they are eager to try them out right away.



Toys often come in plastic packaging which can be sharp when torn open.



It is important to keep an eye on all young children when opening presents, as many toys can present choking hazards such as small pieces or batteries.



Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility



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