

14th December 2023

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Principal

Dear Parent & Carers

We have had a very busy and wonderful end to the Autumn term. The pupils have taken part in some truly magical and memorable celebrations including; the Christmas celebration assemblies and the carol service at the Science Park. It was wonderful to see the pupil's pride and enjoyment when they were performing, well done everyone.

This term has seen lots of educational visits including a visit to a pumpkin farm, a visit to the Gulbenkian theatre and a visit to the local cinema to name a few. A group of pupils were invited to the launch of a recording they made last year whilst working with SquarePeg Arts. The song is based on the pupil's ideas of what is special about the Swale area. Please listen to their track on;
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w0VZ7kgRnC8>.

Parent engagement has included attendance at curriculum workshops including; Communication in the Early Years and Explore pathways, Phonics and Early Reading and Access to Evidence for Learning. All of which parents informed us was very valuable.

Christmas dinner was a busy yet beautiful event and enjoyed by all. Thank you to the kitchen staff for all their hard work.

Staff and FOMS members worked tirelessly to create a wonderful sensory experience through the 'Winter Wonderland' for pupils to explore and engage with including a visit on Monday from some therapy donkeys whom some really enjoyed meeting. Thank you to all parents who visited and made a donation to FOMS.

As we have in past years, we applied to the Blue Water Giving Tree via our charity contact Red Eagle Foundation for Christmas presents for each pupil, unfortunately, this year probably due to the cost of living crisis, we have not been able to secure Christmas presents, which is very disappointing for all concerned however, Red Eagle Foundation continue to champion our school and hopefully we will be successful in the year to come.

Thank you all for your continued support this term and in being a fundamental and valued part of our school community. Thank you all for your kind words, cards and gifts shared across school, they mean a lot to us.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff at Meadowfield school for their hard work and commitment in ensuring that our pupils are happy, enjoying school and making progress whilst enjoying a festive end to the term.

This leaves me to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy healthy 2024. We look forward to seeing pupils back at school on Wednesday 3rd January following a Staff Development Day on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

You will be able to find the new School Development Plan on our website from Thursday 14th December.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely



Angela Howe
Principal