



## WELCOME BACK!

**Happy New Year** to all our children and families. We hope you had a *restful and joyful* Christmas break and came back excited for the new term.

## JANUARY'S VALUE



As we step into 2025, we're reminded of this month's value: **peace**. Peace isn't just quietness; it is building *harmony, kindness, and understanding in our community* - something we see reflected daily in our school. Let's all work together to make this term peaceful and purposeful.

## SCIENCE MEETS THE BIBLE

We had a **fantastic** start to the term with a special assembly *led by Dr. Chris Stafford*. Using the story of the **Wise Men's journey to find baby Jesus**, Dr. Chris brought science to life with exciting experiments!

- A leaf blower sent a toilet roll flying.
- A hairdryer showed the power of suction.
- A potato soared across the hall from a launch tube.
- The grand finale? Oil, water and crystals transformed into a solid.

It was a joyful, hands-on way for children to explore both science and the Bible. Dr. **Chris will return in March with more thrilling experiments**.



## YEAR 4 GOES SAMBA CRAZY!

This term the children in Year 4 will be working with the Samba drums for their Wider Opps lessons with Mr Perry. The whole class have an hour each week where they learn different rhythms and pieces of music. **At the end of the term there will be a performance for parents**.

## BABY NEWS

We're delighted to share some wonderful news - Mr. Duckworth welcomed baby George into the world on December 23rd. Just in time to celebrate his first Christmas! Congratulations to Mr. Duckworth and his family on their beautiful bundle of joy.



## CHOIR COUNTDOWN

The choir meet after school on a Thursday every week. They are working extremely hard to learn all the songs and dance moves for the **Young Voices performance** which is scheduled for **February 7th**.



## ATTENDANCE UPDATE

A huge thank-you to everyone for striving to be in school and ready to learn each day. Here's our attendance breakdown so far:

Whole School 93.2%

Reception 91.9%

Year One 92.7%

Year Two 94.8%

Year Three 93.1%

Year Four 93.3%

Year Five 93.1%

Year Six 94.2%

## KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**7th February**  
School choir to Young Voices

**10th February**  
Online safety week begins

**13th February, 9:15am**  
Year 2 class assembly

**14th February**  
Break up for half term

## OTHER NEWS



Thank you for your continued support and encouragement. Here's to an even more productive February!