



We held our annual Open Day on Tuesday this week where we welcomed in many new - and some existing - families to the school to show them around the school, with a view to their children joining us in next year's Reception cohort. Although the tour was slightly different to other years with the restrictions in place, we were still proud to be able to show all of the visitors how well the children in our school learn and what a great environment we have here.

I would like to say a huge thank you to all of our Year 6 pupils who showed parents around in the morning, as well as several Year 5 children who did the afternoon tours. They were a real credit to the school with how well they spoke and how knowledgeable they were about the school. The visiting parents were all very impressed with how friendly and respectful all of our pupils were.

I'd also like to thank everyone who was involved with the Christmas Fayre last weekend. Mrs Cowgill will mention it more below, but it was a fantastic community afternoon, which has helped raise extra funds for the school.

Unfortunately with the advice from BANES Public Health to halt all whole school gatherings, we were unable to welcome in the Hobgoblin Theatre as planned today. Nonetheless the children all enjoyed a theatrical experience as the company sent us two different pantomimes to enjoy on screen. All the classes sat down and enjoyed these along with a feast of popcorn.

Mr Turull

As many of you know, I managed to contract covid last week so it was with sad regret that I missed the Christmas fayre. I have however received marvellous feedback about it, ranging from how inviting the school looked to how well organised it was and Mrs Morris even commented that the classroom was tidier than it had been left on Friday when she returned on Monday morning. The elves had obviously been hard at work! Nearly £2000 was raised on the day with the proceeds from the raffle still to come.

In recent months, lots of our playground equipment has been condemned so replacement ideas are currently being circulated around the classes. We think that it is very important that the children have a say in any new purchases. Money raised by the PTFA will go a long way towards reinvigorating our school grounds so please keep supporting future events.

We received a sad announcement on Monday evening from the CEO of the Midsomer Norton Schools partnership that all nativity performances to parents in school halls and church carol services with parents in attendance had to be cancelled. Knowing how much work staff and children have already put in, Mr Turull and myself were extremely upset but could see the reasoning behind it. We however, got our heads together and have come up with a new plan of action. Key Stage 1 will now produce a video of their nativity and also hold a 'songs from the nativity' performance on the astro to parents (wearing full costumes of course!) Cherry Class will perform outside to parents (again on the astro) and Key stage 2 will hold carols by candlelight on the playground. Please see the 'Dates for Your Diary' section for dates and timings. Even though these performances will take place outside, unfortunately we still need to limit attendance to two adults per child.

Mrs Cowgill



### Sports News



*On Thursday, Clutton Primary took a Year 5/6 team of 10 to the small schools football tournament at Somervale. The first game ended 0-0, with both teams appearing nervous on the big stage! The second game ended in a 1-0 loss, despite Clutton having numerous chances to put the ball in the net, a hard one to take. After getting used to the size of the pitch, Clutton flourished in their final two games, with two outstanding victories! A huge well done to all of those involved. Thank you to all the travelling parents and families for your support! A great start to our football season. After Christmas, we start our league campaign.*

*Mr Rideout*

### Notices

- **COVID-19** - Please can you keep us informed of any positive Covid tests in your families.
- **Dinner Menu Choices** - Please remember to book by Thursday for the following week. Unfortunately, options can no longer be changed after this day. ***Christmas lunch for the children on 15th December is on Parent Pay to book now! Please book by Monday 29th November.***
- **Holiday requests** - Please can you ensure that you are following the MAT guidance for requesting holidays and completing a holiday request form which can be provided by the school office. Holidays during term time will not be authorised other than in exceptional circumstances. Holiday absences of 10 continuous sessions (5 days) will most likely incur a fine from the local authority.
- **Music Lessons** - Guitar lessons are back at Clutton school. If you are interested in your child learning an instrument please see BANES Music Service website – [www.banesmusiconline.co.uk](http://www.banesmusiconline.co.uk). Keyboard, violin and guitar are just some of the lessons available.
- **School Day** - A gentle reminder that the school day begins at 8.50am. Registers are taken at 8.55am and anyone arriving in the classroom after this time will be marked as 'late'. Persistent lateness will be followed up by the school and the Education Welfare Officer.
- **Volunteering** - If you have an hour or two free a week and are able to come and volunteer in school, whether it be sharing books with children, helping in the classroom with art or DT projects, we'd love to hear from you. Please pop into the school office for further information.
- **Amazon Smile** - Can you help Clutton PTFA raise money for our school just by shopping?! Amazon Smile will donate 0.5% of all eligible purchases to the PTFA who in turn will use the much needed funds to support the school. Anyone can support this cause, not just the families at the school so please help us shout about this. It is really easy to sign up and will increase our yearly fundraising drastically IF we get enough people using it. Further details of how to sign up within the link below. Please search and select for Clutton School Parent Teachers Friends Association. [About AmazonSmile: Programme details and FAQ](#) Use the Amazon App? Sign up is super easy and Instructions on how to do this can be found here: [Amazon.co.uk: AmazonSmile Mobile App Instructions](http://Amazon.co.uk: AmazonSmile Mobile App Instructions) Please message the PTFA if you have any question and a HUGE THANK YOU for your continued support!!!



### Diary Dates

Wednesday 1st December  
Monday 6th December  
Wednesday 8th December  
Thursday 9th December  
Monday 13th December  
Wednesday 15th December  
  
Friday 17th December

Netball match @ Somervale  
Year 6 Christmas celebration @ Clifton Cathedral 1-4pm  
3.30pm Year 1 and 2 nativity songs outside  
2.30pm Cherry Class nativity  
KS2 Carol service 4:30pm in the playground  
Christmas Lunch - book on Parent Pay by Monday 29th  
November  
LAST DAY OF TERM

*Please note that we have Inset Days on Tuesday 4th January and Wednesday 5th January, so the children will return to school after the Christmas break on Thursday 6th January.*

### Christmas Tree Festival



The children have done an amazing job making christmas tree decorations for our school tree, which is proudly displayed at St Augustines Church ready for the Christmas Tree Festival this weekend. We do hope you get the chance to go and see their wonderful creations.



Christmas Tree Festival  
At St. Augustines Church,  
Clutton  
Sat. 27th November.  
& Sunday 28th Nov.  
11.00 to 3.00  
Come along and see Christmas trees  
decorated by local groups.



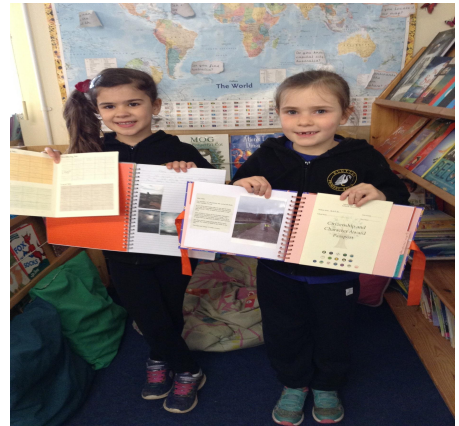
Organised by Clutton Playgroup tel. 01761 451089 or contact Jenny Bush [jennybush@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jennybush@yahoo.co.uk)



### Certificates of the week

#### Head Teacher Certificates

Congratulations Max, Lottie, Zander, Olive, Poppy and Milo on receiving this week's Head Teacher award.



#### Doodle Maths

Well done to Johannes, Henry, Darcy, Connie and Milo who earned the most stars in their class this week. Big congratulations to Connie for winning the Top Doodler trophy again!!

#### Other achievements

Our Little Ninjas Henry, Charlie, Rosa and Alfie told us all about their latest trophies and certificates. Hera and Alice showed their evidence for the latest entries for their Citizenship Passports. Keep up the good work everyone, you're all achieving so much.

**PSHE Theme of the week** - Try to solve problems



What a fantastic afternoon everyone had at the Clutton Primary Christmas Fayre on Saturday. Thank you so much to everyone that came and showed their support. The PTFA did a wonderful job organising the event and the whole school community reaped the benefits of such a festive occasion. We look forward to the next one!!



**KINGWELL FARM  
CHRISTMAS TREES**



Address:  
Kingwell Farm, Hayeswood Road, Timsbury, Bath, BA2 0HH.

Opening Times: 10am – 4pm, 7 days a week  
(Appointments available during the evenings, please call  
07903 292354)

£2.00 from each tree sale will be donated towards Clutton Primary PTFA – Please say “Clutton School” when purchasing your tree ☺

**Trees available from Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November**



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