HEADMASTER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER WEEK 12, 6TH DECEMBER, 2024

Dear Parents

Well it is certainly beginning to feel more 'Christmassy' at Town Close and I write to you today with a lot of excitement buzzing around school. A superb array of festive jumpers on display today heralds the arrival of the greatly anticipated PTA Christmas Fayre. We hosted a community event yesterday evening around our magical festive woodland illuminations and it was so wonderful to see so many smiley faces even with the rather miserable weather. We have our fingers crossed for better weather this afternoon and hope that everyone who joins us has a fantastic time. A huge amount of work has gone into these events and I would like to say a sincere thanks both to the incredible PTA 'elves' and the Town Close team for going above and beyond to make this happen. We also enjoyed the first festive service of the season with the Pre Prep Advent Service that took place yesterday at Christchurch Eaton. It was great to see so many parents in attendance who were treated to some lovely carols, an effervescent sermon from Reverend Patrick Richmond and, my highlight, some very confident and clear readings from Year 2. With a raft of Nativities, a host of concerts and more services to come in the run up to the end of the term, I am sure that we will be feeling mighty festive in the weeks ahead.

Aside from all things festive, one of my highlights of the week included seeing our Y3 and 4 pupils swim superbly in their gala against Norwich School, with many taking part in such an event for the first time – well done to all who took part. As the sporting seasons have been drawing to a close, it has been wonderful to reflect on the sporting success of this term; not just the wins, but also the areas of significant personal growth and teamwork, which we will reflect on more in the final assembly of the term. In assembly this morning it was a pleasure to have the whole school together and I particularly enjoyed seeing all of the Wonder Wall work from Pre Prep and awarding medals to our U9 girls who came runners-up in the Beeston tournament – well done. We also focused on how one of the greatest gifts that we can give at this time of year is that of caring for each other and showing appreciation to those who support us – with this in mind I would like to offer my thanks and appreciation to the wider school community for your support in this busy term and I hope that the remaining gallop to the end of term is filled with festive cheer.

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