



### Christmas Fair with a twist...

Thank you for your support for our "four day" event of *The Christmas Fair with a twist!* Lots of you have visited us throughout the week and bought sweets, hot chocolate, reindeer food, hampers and handmade Christmas decorations!

When the Head Boy and Head Girl take over the running of the school on the first day back in January, they will make an executive decision as to how they will be spending the money for the children of Bromstone! (Please see the last page of this newsletter for their chosen menu on the first day back!)



Our School Council visited Pettman Court as part of the Intergeneration Project. This project is bringing generations together and building friendships with communities around them. The children enjoyed asking the residents questions about what they had seen in their life time, and what their favourite hobbies were. One of the residents surprised the children as they had worked very closely with the Royal Family. The children also enjoyed helping the residents get ready for Christmas with hanging decorations on the Christmas tree and finishing off with a Christmas song!



### Christmas Card Competition

Emily was the overall winner of the NEU Christmas card competition with a beautiful festive entry. Congratulations Emily!



"The winning entry!"







### Christmas Carols at The Turner Centre

On Saturday some children from our Choir represented Bromstone at The Turner Centre. They sung beautifully and managed to put everyone in the Christmas Spirit. Well done to all those who performed.



### Some photos from the week

Year 3,4 and 5 went to the Pantomime! Christmas dinner fun in the Hall!



**PLEASE ENJOY THIS CHRISTMAS  
TRADITION, MADE BY STAFF  
FOR YOUR CHILDREN....ENJOY!**

[I Wish It Could Be Christmas  
Everyday At Bromstone!  
\(youtube.com\)](#)

### Year R

This term we had lots of fun in Reception. The children settled well in Term 1 so we spent time exploring and engaging in our environment.

We have been playing, counting, writing, celebrating holidays from different cultures, investigating and solving problems, cooking, tasting, jumping in muddy puddles and doing many other interesting activities. We can't wait to see what the new term brings!



### Year 1

Dover and Canterbury Class have had a fantastic 2nd term learning all about 'What are Rights?'. To get us thinking about Rights on our Wow Day the children came up with why they had the right to play after Mr Turner said he thought we should take the 'play' out of playtime. We learnt about the right to a home and designed and built shelters in Forest School and D & T. We also linked this to this term's story; Little Red Riding Hood, where the children retold the story through drama, art and a fantastic piece of writing of their own. In maths, children have enjoyed learning lots about 2D and 3D shapes and have been on a scavenger hunt around the school to find them. Finally, the children wonderfully performed their nativity with Year 2, created artwork for Christmas trees and have written letters to Santa

### Year 2



This term the children experienced what it is like to have a visual impairment. The VI teachers visited Rochester Class and showed the children how a child with VI would use a cane, braille, sensory boards and used glasses to mimic the vision somebody could have with an impairment. Our visitors, Jen and Lucy explained how best to support a friend with a visual impairment and the children found this experience very valuable.





### Year 3

This term, Lewes Class highlights were a visit from Fairtrade, learning about plants in Science, designing and making their own sandwiches in D&T and making stop animation videos in computing.



### Year 4

This term in Year 4 the children have been learning about the Romans. The children have designed their own Roman Mosaics, learnt about the local Richborough fort and what life was like for a Gladiator. The children have been to the Canterbury Roman Museum to enhance their learning on the Romans and even used catapults to take down a town.

Also this term the children have braved the dropping temperatures in Forest School, been to help Santa with his presents at Discovery Planet and written beautiful poems inspired by that of Maya Angelou.

In Science, we have been learning about Electricity and have made circuits, tested insulator and conductor materials and made our own switches. The children were challenged to use their knowledge of Electricity to make their own Christmas picture or card that had a working light and/or switch.

All of year 4 have begun their Ukulele lessons every Thursday morning, learning 4 different chords and have now started to learn how to play songs. Last week they were jamming to 'Moves like Jagger' which was highly entertaining to watch and listen to. They are improving with each week and they are really enjoying having this opportunity to learn to play an instrument. We definitely have some budding Musicians in the year.

## Year 5

This term, Year 5 have explored the events that led up to, and happened during the First World War through the lens of our big question 'How does war affect people's rights?', investigating the geographic and human toll the Great War had. We have also tried our hand at emotive poetry, persuasive letter writing to combat child labour, and become fraction superstars!



## Year 6

Year 6 have been learning about the history of the triangular slave trade. During this topic they learned about the life of Olaudah Equiano and wrote biographies about his life and the changes he brought, leading to the abolition of slavery.

They have also learned about the artwork of Yayoi Kusama. Creating their own clay pumpkins inspired by her work. These will be on display on the entrance hall next term.

During our Science topic of light, the children investigated shadows and how they are formed. As well as learning about how light travels and enables us to see. To test how light can be reflected enabling us to see, they made kaleidoscopes.

At the end of a busy term, the children learned about Ebenezer Scrooge and wrote persuasive letters to encourage him to take part in Christmas festivities. This led to them writing their own persuasive letters.

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### Reminders for families

Please ensure there is no vaping or smoking around the outside of our site, including when queuing at the beginning/end of the day.


Please do not place any photographs or videos of the children (other than individual photos of your own child) on to any social media websites including Facebook, X or Instagram etc.

Please can everyone show more consideration when parking near and around the school, children are trying to cross the roads safely.

WE WISH EACH AND  
EVERY ONE OF YOU  
A VERY MERRY  
CHRISTMAS!!

WE WILL SEE YOU ALL ON  
WEDNESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2024

Next Term our big question is "Why Lead when you can follow?" Our Head Boy, Olly, and our Head Girl, Leia, will be taking over the running of the school on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024. They have planned an exciting menu for everyone's first day back!



First Day Back,  
Menu Changes!

- Chicken Chow Mein
- Vegetarian Chow Mein

Mains



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Side • Spring Rolls with  
Option tomatoe ketchup

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Morning • Bagels with butter  
and/or jam in Classroom

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 + Art Competition! 

DONT FORGET TO PUT YOUR NAME ON BACK!

- Create an art piece about your idol and return it to us by the end of the day.
- Winning piece will be displayed in our office!

by your Head Girl!