



Micklem Newsletter

9th December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Today we have enjoyed our Christmas dinner and jumper day. Thank you to staff, who helped serve the children, and to our kitchen staff for preparing a delicious Christmas lunch.

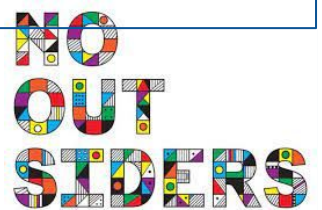
It has been bitterly cold this week; please make sure children continue to bring warm coats, hats, scarves and gloves to keep them warm at playtimes over the next few weeks.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you in school next week for the Key Stage 1 Christmas performances.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Swift

On the 8th December, Andrew Moffat MBE (the creator of No Outsiders) joined us to support every class in a No Outsiders lesson. He shared his passion for inclusivity for all and helped our children to understand that different people will have different opinions and that is ok. He shared stories with our children including: "A Busy Day For Birds"; "We're All Wonders"; "Going To The Volcano"; "And Tango Makes Three" and "Spots And Dots". We discussed and shared experiences of feeling like outsiders and how we didn't want anyone to feel like that in our school. Our children were excited to share how they could help and support each other around our school and were a fantastic example of inclusivity. At our school, we are all different and we all belong. There are **No Outsiders**.



Reminders and Updates



Dates for your diary

Tues 13th Dec - 2PM

KS1 Nativity performance

Weds 14th Dec - 6PM

KS1 Nativity performance

Monday 19th Dec - 9am

Nursery + Reception performance

Weds 21st Dec - 9am

Carols around the tree - all parents welcome

Weds 21st Dec

School finishes at 1.30PM



Reception and Nursery visited St Albans this week to look around the cathedral. They had a lovely time and even had the chance to dress up in traditional robes.



Year 3



visited our local care home to join in festivities with the residents. We are so proud of how the children behaved and represented our school. The care home manager wrote to me yesterday to say how impressed they were with the children's behaviour and interactions with the residents.



NO OUTSIDERS

In class assemblies this week, the children learned about a school in the USA, where one of their kitchen cooks is deaf and communicates through sign language. The children began learning sign language and can now speak with the kitchen cook. At Micklem, we reflected on how this affects our community. We thought about how people should be treated equally and how, in the UK, we have the Equality Act to protect everyone.