



## Christmas Dinner



A huge thank you to Mrs Brammer and the kitchen team who worked wonders on Wednesday to provide a fabulous Christmas Dinner for the children and the staff. Over 230 dinners cooked! I have been at several schools for Christmas Dinner and I can say - for sure - that TRJS is the best! Yum! Yum! There was a fabulous atmosphere and the children really shone in their Christmas Jumpers and party hats which they had made in class. We



listened to music and made the most of the festivities. I think you will see from the children's faces that a lovely time was had by all! Mrs Brammer also cooked for a few elderly neighbours in addition to creating a wonderful igloo and penguin display in the hall. Thank you to all the staff who worked so hard to make this such a special occasion.



## Masters of Infinity WINNERS!

Following our entries to the national competition 'Masters of Infinity' I am SO excited to say that we got... 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places!! With almost 200 entries that is a fabulous achievement. Exciting prizes to be announced soon 😊 A huge well done to:

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Elsie B Y3

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Lily B Y4

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Scarlett F and Olive H Y6



## CHOIR

A small group of the TRJS choir sang at the Mayor's Christmas Carol Concert at the Town hall on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December. They sang beautifully and were a real credit to the school and their families. The afternoon raised £500 for charity and it was a special occasion to see our choir perform for the Mayor in the historic venue. Next term, we will have our final rehearsals for Young Voices, after school on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January.** Keep singing!



## Christmas Performance

If there are any parents who have not signed up for a place at the Christmas performance in Church on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December, please email the school office and we will do our best to fit you in. The only reason for requesting this is so that we can plan safely for the numbers of people we are expecting in the church. A reminder that parents/carers at the concert may collect their children directly from the church at the end. All children not collected will be taken back to school to finish the school day as usual at 3.30pm. The singing from each House sounds great, the Year 3 children are rising to the challenge of acting out the nativity, the choir perform brilliantly, and we have some very talented Year 6 musicians on the guitar and piano. We are looking forward to it!

## Y5 Residential

Y5 children have been given a letter regarding the residential visit on 6-8 March. Parents/carers are asked to log on to ParentPay and pay the deposit by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January, to secure a place on the trip. If you would like to discuss the trip, or have any questions, please email or call and speak to Mrs Preston or myself.

## Local Trips Letter

We have been reviewing our policy for local trips in line with Staffordshire County Council guidelines. It is good practice to clarify with parents the details of local trips and ensure that we have signed permission from everyone. With that in mind, all children have been given a local trips letter to return by Monday, signed by parents/carers. This reply slip will then provide the relevant permission for any local trips undertaken at school. Please be assured that we check all our medical records as part of the risk assessments, so if there are any relevant updates about your child's medical needs, then please inform the school before Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.

## Support Plan Meetings

Thank you to all those parents who attended meetings with staff in the last 2 weeks. We appreciate your support and can see the benefits of staff and parents working so closely together to help all our children make good progress. It is great to work in partnership with you.

## Red Carpet Cinema Trip

We are very much looking forward to this trip. What a lovely way to end the term! A reminder to those parents who have not yet paid, to log on to ParentPay to pay the £4 so your child is able to participate. Thank you.

## Christmas Jumper

Next week, children (and staff!) are allowed to wear their Christmas jumpers on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**, for the performance in church and on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December** for the cinema trip. (I seemed to have misplaced my jumper so will get one sorted for next week!)

## Early Birds and Night Owls

There are some changes planned for January 2024. If you are interested in using the TRJS before or after school care, then please see the letter attached to explain the changes. Please use the following code to book ahead for the Spring Term: **Early Birds – vtw7d** **Night Owls - npbby**

## DJ Murf was in the house!

We all enjoyed the music, lights, singing and dancing, as Miss Murfin organised a disco for Y3/4 then Y5/6, in place of Golden Time today. Fun was had by all as we danced the Cha-Cha Slide and sang Sweet Caroline. Thanks DJ – a lovely end to the week!

Santa is on his way! Only 10 more sleeps to go! (Or 7 sleeps until the end of term 😊)

*J Emery*