



NEWSLETTER

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St Edmundsbury and Ipswich
Diocesan Multi Academy Trust



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Our School Vision

*"Together we are a precious team;
We work hard to shine and gleam."*

The Christian Bible talks of God seeing humans as his jewels in the making (Malachi 3:16-17).

Next Term's School Value:

Perseverance

Next Term's British Value:

Tolerance

Dear Parents, Carers and friends,

Welcome to the final newsletter of the Autumn Term. This morning in our Celebration assembly we spent time thinking about all the learning, achievements and opportunities we have had across the term both within our own classes and as a whole school community. It is taking these opportunities to think and reflect that we realise how much we have accomplished, how much we have grown and how this term we have been able to shine and gleam as a whole school community.

We have really enjoyed counting down to Christmas through the many festive events and learning opportunities we have had in school over the last few weeks. These have included:

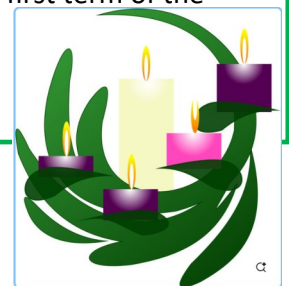
Making our **Christingles** and learning what they represent for Christians as well as considering what they mean to us and the precious gifts we would like to share this Christmas; **Christmas around the World** where we learned about Christmas traditions from the countries of Sweden, Germany and Spain through creative arts and music; Ruby and Emerald Class' amazing performance of **'Shine Star, Shine!'** which was full of festive charm and spirit and showed what confident performers they are, as well as reminding us about the importance of perseverance and how we can all shine!; **Christmas jumper day and lunch** enjoyed altogether; Our Christmas visit to **Bury St Edmunds Cathedral** where we were able to consider and reflect on the meaning and importance of **advent**, followed by a trip to see Aladdin the **panto** which was most entertaining!; Our **Christmas church service** where we were delighted to be joined by so many friends and family. We enjoyed Christmas songs and readings as well as a special Christmas story from Reverend Jackie Sephton which reminded us of how, no matter how small we may be or feel, we can all shine and help others.

This is all of course in addition to the fantastic work and learning which has continued in our classrooms and a selection of wonderful child-led assemblies through our class sharing assemblies and by our Rocksteady musicians.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support and partnership over this first term of the school year—it is what makes Hintlesham and Chattisham a great place to learn and grow.

I wish you and your loved ones a blessed Christmas and a joyful New Year.

Mrs Burgess, Interim Headteacher



Farewell and Thank you!

We would like to say a huge **THANK YOU** to Mr Steensma who joined our school this term to teach our Sapphire Class whilst Mr Kricka has been on paternity leave. Mr Steensma you have been a fantastic and inspiring teacher and we have really enjoyed learning and working with you. Mr Steensma will be beginning a new role in the New Year but will visit us at the beginning of the new term to share all he has learned about Sapphire Class with Mr Kricka.

We would also like to say a huge **THANK YOU** to Jo Fletcher who has been instrumental in setting up and running our school breakfast club. Jo will no longer be part of the breakfast club team next term. Jo we will miss seeing you at our morning breakfast club but are glad we will still see you in school as part of our fantastic HSA and also at Hama Beads Club.

I am sure you will join us in sharing your appreciation and best wishes for both Mr Steensma and Jo, and also in welcoming Mr Kricka back to school in the New Year.



Class Attendance to date:

Ruby Class: 99.27%

Emerald Class: 98.80%

Sapphire Class: 95.00%

Diamond Class: 95.84%

Vision and Values Competition

'Together we are a PRECIOUS team; We work hard to shine and gleam!'

We had so many wonderful entries for our logo competition. Thank you to everyone who took the opportunity to take part. It was such a tough job for our School and Worship council members to choose a winner...we therefore decided on the following...

To represent our *precious* value of *unity*, every single entry will feature on our postcards home which will be introduced in the new year. These will be given to children by adults or peers in recognition of them showing one of our *precious* values and they will bring them home to share with you.

There are four overall winners whose design ideas will be combined to create our overall logo which will be made into reward stickers and feature on things such as our website and newsletters. Well done to Eliza, Charlotte, Max and Scarlett for this.

We have also been inspired by ideas from the designs of Theo C, Eva and Libby. These will feature in a new display which we will be creating in our school hall next term.

We are looking to create a computerised version of our final logo design...if you or anyone you know is skilled at this and could help us to achieve this, please get in touch. We would really appreciate it.

Our PRECIOUS Values

P is for Perseverance

R is for Responsibility and Respect

E is for Empathy

C is for Creativity

I is for Independent Learner

O is for Opportunity

U is for Unity



A Beautiful Christmas Scene

Well done to our after school club who worked together, taking great care and pride, to create this beautiful Christmas scene. What a wonderful example of our *precious* value of *creativity*.

Well done to you all and to Mrs Brugnoli for the wonderful idea and preparation.

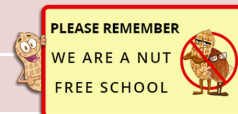


The four winning designs



Diary Dates

06.01.25	PD Day: Last day of the holidays for pupils
07.01.25	First day of term for pupils—welcome back!
13.01.25	EYFS & KS1 Orchestra trip—letter to follow
17.01.25	U9's Multi Skills tournament—letter to follow
23.01.25	Diamond Class Cake sale
27.01.25	Math's Week—World of Work



Parent View Questionnaire Link

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views>

If you have a concern for a child's safety or wellbeing, please contact Customer First (24hr service): Tel: 0808 800 4005

In school please speak to our Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Burgess. The named Governor for Safeguarding is our Co-Chair of Governors Mrs Angela Evans. Our E-safety lead is Mrs L Beckett De Banks. If you require information about online safety you can access current advice at this address: <https://parentinfo.org/>



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