Giles Brook School



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The Nursery and Reception children visited Shenley Retirement Village this week to sing some Christmas songs and carols to the residents. They had a wonderful time and it certainly put everyone in the festive spirit!



Governor Awards were given out in today's celebration assembly. Parents, pupils and staff voted for members of our school community who displayed our value of inclusiveness this half term. Well done to all.

We also wished good luck to Sam Hawkes, one of our Year 5 teachers, who leaves us today to have her baby. For the first half of the Spring Term, Ladybirds class will be taught by Mrs Gemma Heather and Mrs Sarah Cowper whilst Mrs Sam Jones will be experiencing life in another school. But don't worry, Sam will be returning to us after the spring half term break.

# Next week's dates

19.12.23 Reception visit The Stables (Hansel and Gretel)

20.12.23 Rock Steady concerts

21.12.23 KS2 Carols on the playground (2.45pm)

22.12.23 Christmas Jumper Mufti Day

22.12.23 School closes for the Christmas break

# Well done and good luck!

Freya Tierney-Morgans is performing for Dance Box in the pantomime, Snow White, which begins next week. Good luck Freya and if you wish to see the show, it is being performed at Stantonbury Theatre.

Congratulations also to Frankie Barlett whose story, The Magic Witch and her Tangled Tale, has reached the next stage of the BBC's 500 word challenge out of 13500 entries! Fantastic!





# **Christmas Performance**

Well done to our amazing children in Years 1 and 2 for their performance on Tuesday. They sang beautifully, our actors spoke clearly and you could see that they loved bring o that stage!

Kay Stage 2 are looking forward to welcoming you for Chistmas Carols on the playground next Thursday at 2.45pm. Make sure you wrap up warm!



their Christmas clothes on the last day of term - 22nd December 2023

# **Christmas Shop**

Thank you to our Friends Association for holding their Christmas shop which has been a huge success! I bet you're all excited to see what surprises there will be under the tree on Christmas Day!



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- A calendar with information on clubs, activities and events in the local area for children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND) and their families
- A mental health and wellbeing hub, coproduced with our health colleagues
- Information about the Short Breaks voucher scheme and how to apply
- SEND Support advice and information for parents, carers, schools and settings
- Information on EHCPs, including information processes and how to make an application
- A directory of services in and around Miltor Keynes

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