

Headlines

After a highly energetic and entertaining assembly this morning from Dance Kids, the Senior Choir headed to the St Nicholas Centre in Sutton to sing carols in aid of St Raphael's Hospice. Again, our fantastic choir showed enthusiasm and bundles of Christmas spirit as they represented the school in our local area. The musical talent at Collingwood was on display again on Wednesday evening with our first evening dedicated just to our solo performers. The impressive showcase was a real testament to Miss Andrews and our young musicians as we celebrated their dedication and bravery to play in front of a big audience.

There has been so much else happening this week and it all began on Saturday with the Christmas Fair. Despite the awful wet weather, this great annual event was another success and that was all down to the hard work of our parent volunteers and the PTA organisers. A special mention and thanks must go to Tizzy Ispani, who is a new parent and has taken on the role of Chair and had the task of co-ordinating an event that she had not attended before! I know the children and visiting families enjoyed the afternoon, which was made very special by the visit of Father Christmas to our grotto!

On the subject of Christmas visitors, we were very excited this week to welcome, Holly, one of Santa's elves, who had come all the way from the North Pole - what a treat for the children!

The grown-ups have been to see our KS1 production of 'Snowstorm'. The children showed confidence and plenty of talent and made the audience feel both very proud and very festive too. We must not forget one of the most famous Christmas stories of all time was acted for us yesterday by the KS2 Drama Club with their fantastic version of 'A Christmas Carol'. All of the young actors did very well, but the individual performance of Maxime as Ebenezer Scrooge will live long in the memory. Thank you especially to Miss Cathie and Mrs Ford for both of our drama ventures this term. They have worked so hard over the weeks to get both shows ready for us. There are more events planned for next week, culminating in our Carol Concert on Thursday evening. I look forward to seeing many of you there as we bring our term at Collingwood to a close.



Celebration Assembly

Stars of the Week



Kindergarten	Oscar	Drama	Daisy
Reception	Sahar	DT	Stewart
Year 1	Anna	Music	Frankie
Year 2	Annabelle	MFL	Luca
Year 3	Daisy	Swimming	Maya
Year 4	Hania	Art	Rafael
Year 5	Jonathan	House	Haig
Year 6	Haroon		
10 Star Badge	Virshan, Ilyas, James We		
20 Star Badge	Abigail, Piper, Macy, Jake		
Tree of Virtue Leaves: Atharv and Freddie			



Thought of the WEEK

WORK FOR A
CAUSE,
NOT FOR
APPLAUSE.
LIVE LIFE TO
EXPRESS,
NOT TO
IMPRESS.

What is a cause in this sense? In what ways do we work for a 'reason'?

Are there times when you have not been noticed or praised by others when you have worked hard at something?

How did you feel?

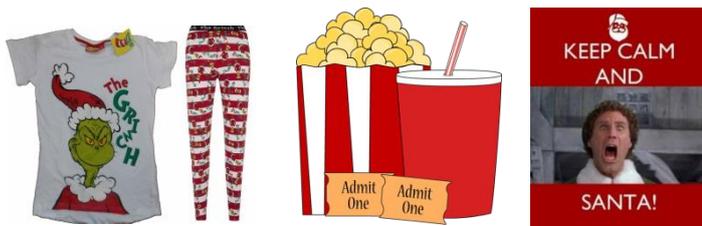
What are the different ways in which we can 'express' ourselves? Should we just be just trying to impress others? Do you fully agree with this statement?

KS2 Christmas Fun

On Wednesday 12th December KS2 will be taking part in a Christmas fun morning! The children will vote for their favourite Christmas films and we will create our very own cinema, with snacks such as popcorn and drinks. The children can come to school in their pyjamas, dressing gowns and slippers and bring in a blanket or pillow to complete the cosy cinema experience, if they so wish.

Mr Hardie has issued a fundraising challenge!! If every KS2 child brings in £1 for our charity SSAFA, then he promises to wear some very unlikely and unusual nightwear! He will only wear it if we raise enough money. He promises it will be decent, however, and there will be photos on the day!

Games will happen as normal in the afternoon so please remind your child to bring in their kit.



Christmas Lunch

Don't forget the Christmas lunch on Tuesday 11th December – multi/festive jumpers should be worn. This will be a fun day for children with lots of Christmas themed activities.



We have an additional Bag2School collection arranged for **Monday 10th December** for those who missed out on the one last one. Please ensure all bags are with us by 9am on Monday morning. Donations do not have to be in the official bags and any form of plastic bag is accepted.

Carol Concert

We are all very excited about the forthcoming carol service on Thursday 13th December at the earlier time of 5.30pm at Holy Trinity Church. Please note that Aftercare will finish at 5pm on this day for Reception to Year 6, but will continue to operate as usual for Kindergarten. We look forward to welcoming friends and family to enjoy this lovely concert and invite you to join us for refreshments afterwards in the School Hall.

End of Term

School finishes at midday on Friday 14th December, there will be no aftercare. Spring term commences on Tuesday 8th January 2019. We wish you all an enjoyable break.

Clubs

Extra curricular clubs have now finished for this term and will resume the week commencing Monday 14th January 2019. Our new clubs booklet will be emailed in the new year.



We are very excited to be supporting this amazing eco project, details of which are given at the end of the Newsletter. We do hope you will be able to support this initiative!

This week at Collingwood



Reception's Christmas Grotto



Two of our many talented Collingwood musicians at the solo concert



Look who came to visit our Christmas Fair!



6A selling Collingwood merchandise at the Fair



Tree decorating



The children received a visit from an elf – many thanks to Mrs Wong for organising this



KS2's fantastic drama production





6A's collage artwork



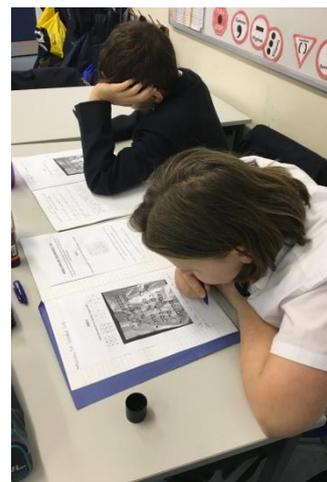
4A investigating condensation



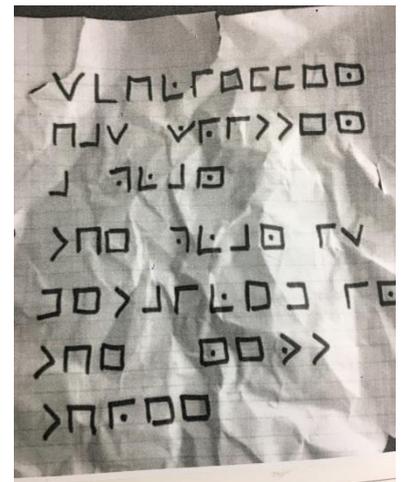
This week's leaf awards



The high energy Dancekids assembly in action



6A code breaking



Our Senior Choir entertaining Sutton shoppers with carols in aid of St Raphael's Hospice



1A - worthy winners of the class music award



Kindergarten Christmas crafting

WE WISH
you a MERRY
Christmas



Over Christmas, the Collingwood Voice would like every child in the school to make an Ecobrick. An Ecobrick is a plastic bottle filled with non-recyclable plastic pushed inside which can be used for building different things with. We are planning on making something special for our outdoor area. Ideally, we would like you to use smaller plastic bottles with straight sides.

See [this link](#) for further information.

Instructions:

1. Find a straight sided plastic bottle
2. Collect non-recyclable plastic
e.g. crisp bags, plastic bags, plastic straws, Styrofoam, cellophane
3. Push all plastic down into bottle using a stick
4. Do not put in any paper, metal or glass in
5. Completely fill a bottle so it is rock hard
6. Put the lid on, ready to bring into school





LET'S CELEBRATE

COLLINGWOOD 90TH

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FRIDAY 7TH JUNE 2019

FROM SEVEN IN THE EVENING
ZINNIA GARDENS
CROYDON LANE, BANSTEAD, SM7 3AN

Tickets purchased from

Ticket Tailor

<http://bit.ly/2BCg6sE>

(Early bird offer of £59)

A BLACK TIE SPECTACULAR!

Key dates

Monday 10 th December	Last swim for Years 1 to 6 Additional Bag2School Collection
Tuesday 11 th December	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 12 th December	KS2 Christmas Fun Morning Reception, 1A & 2A Trip to London Zoo
Thursday 13 th December	Carol Service 5.30pm
Friday 14 th December	School finishes at midday (no aftercare)

Red - denotes new date

Future term dates:**Autumn Term 2018**

End of Term Friday 14th December at midday

Spring Term 2019

Tuesday 8th January to Friday 29th March 2019

Half Term: Monday 18th February to Friday 22nd February inclusive

Summer Term 2019

Wednesday 24th April to Tuesday 9th July 2019

Half Term: Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May