

# **Speenhamland Primary School**

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#### **Dear Parents and Carers**

The festive cheer could be seen everywhere on Wednesday as we all enjoyed our school Christmas dinner! The children were beautifully behaved throughout lunchtime and thoroughly enjoyed their turkey and cookies. Many wore lavish Christmas hats they had made in the morning and there was a lovely sense of community, even though the children could only sit with their class. A special thank you to all of the staff who helped out and made the day run so smoothly.

Last minute rehearsals have also been taking place for the infant Nativity. It has been lovely to see them all dressed up in their costumes and singing a range of Christmas songs. Thank you to all of the parents who have supported with costumes and the learning of lines and lyrics – your help has been invaluable. Mr Allen will be filming the production on Monday and we will make it available to parents before the end of term.

There was huge support today for our Christmas Jumper Day – a big thank you to everyone who made a donation to the local charity, Daisy's Dreams.

I also wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone for your support and understanding at this challenging time. It has been really difficult cancelling so many activities and, this week, separating the children into class bubbles. The Speenhamland parents have continued to support us which has been greatly appreciated.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Mrs J Lewry Headteacher



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West Berkshire Libraries Mini Winter Challenge



### West Berkshire Libraries are holding a Winter Mini Challenge.

This is all online, so no need for children to collect anything from the library. There is a fun website, where children can find games and book-related activities, along with ideas for what to read next. You can set up a personal profile on the site and anyone who reads and logs 3 books by 16th January can download a certificate and a limited-edition virtual badge. The website address is:

#### Mini Winter Challenge

The 'story' of the Winter Challenge takes the same Wild World Heroes characters as in the Summer Challenge to a new adventure in the Arctic, where they find out about the creatures that live there and some of the environmental issues facing this region.

West Berkshire Libraries hope that the children will find this both interesting and fun.

### NEWSLETTER



### **TERM DATES**

#### Spring Term 2022

Term 3: 05-01-21 to 18-02-22 Half term: 21-02-22 to 25-02-22 Term 4: 28-02-21 to 07-04-22

#### Summer Term 2022

Term 5: 25-04-21 to 27-05-22 Half term: 30-05-21 to 03-06-22 Term 6: 06-06-22 to 21-07-22

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Wishing everyone well.

### **HOUSE WINNER**

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#### The Dragon's Eggs results for this week are:

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### **Ex Speenhamland Pupil Visits** The Keevill

Jake visited the Keevill last Friday.

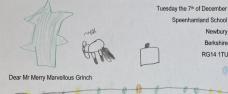
He came to talk about the PDR at Kennet School and answer questions from future pupils.



# CHILDREN'S AMAZING WORK THIS WEEK

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Tues day 7th December
Dear Mr Grinch
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you to join me and my tamily with a chiristimus dinner.
My family noised that your always's above and we not want you
alone in this chiristites.
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Mr Grinch ?
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M-Grinch, I please with you a to Join me and my family. The cheldren they no we walking for sonts they we walking for you. I yours sciencely Jone A Under.



(I am writing to you to invite you to our warm and magical home where Christmas cheer is infectious. Every year we know that you are bored in your mountain house with the only company being your dog. So will give you a tew options to maybe persuade you into coming down to whowlie for this Christmas.

Firstly, we need a charitable, caring and charismatic gentleman to help and make our hearts light up with warmth as a fireplace is just not good enough during this frostly time of year. So why not help? Why let your heart melt like ice does over time, slowly and gradually? You are our best hope and our best inspiration.

Secondly, it would be an honour for you to join us during our Christmas festivities surrounded by loved ones and I think you especially would make the most of it. My mum makes the best cookies and you should really try them yourself Remember, most importantly bring max as he deserved to have some fun.

Finally, did you know that the most famous scientist of whovilie have found that 99.9% of Whoovilie people have Christmas spirit, maybe you are the 0.1%. So Mr Grinch, the Christmas spirit doesn't just come from the shops or appear in your wishes and nor will it ever come from presents under the Christmas tree but that it comes from us and our hearts.

In conclusion, I think I have given enough reasons to convince you to come down for Christmas and I hope you will make the good decision this year. However, now I will end this letter and hope that you come down to the big whoville holiday celebrations this year and many more to come.

Yours sincerely, Cameron JW smith

> The Reception children did their Christmas Carol Concert today which has been recorded for parents.

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In Redwood Class

this week, pupils

wrote persuasive

letters to the

Grinch inviting him to Whoville

for Christmas festivities.

and Cameron

By Isabelle, Jana





This week, Wisteria Class enjoyed exploring a Christmas Science experiment with Mrs Neale! They added vinegar to baking soda and watched as it fizzed!



Maple class have been learning their times tables and keeping fit at the same time using BBC Supermovers.