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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

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

Christmas Jumper

Children and staff looked wonderful today in their Christmas Jumpers.

We have raised £166 for Daisy's Dream.

Thank you!



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](https://www.westberkslibraries.org.uk/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.

This Week's Teacher Achievement and PSHE Awards

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ACHIEVEMENT

Wisteria	Jimmy Bodin House
Cherry	Ana Ferreira
Oak	Sewal Findik
Ash	Poppy Cousins
Hawthorn	Sonny Basden
Juniper	Isabelle Rocha
Maple	Jack Collins
Acer	Bella McCugh
Redwood	Oscar Wilkes
Cedar	Theo Josling

PSHE

Chloe Myles
Emily Opanowicz
Alexandra Taras
Elisa Mihai
Thomas Collins
Evie Garnish
Samuel Carvalho De Jesus
Oliver Johnsen
Layla-Anne Stanswood
Riley Hayes-West

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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HOUSE WINNER

The Dragon's Eggs results for this week are:

1st Laal 104

2nd Azul 102

3rd Zolty 68

4th Verde 55

Congratulations LAAL

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.



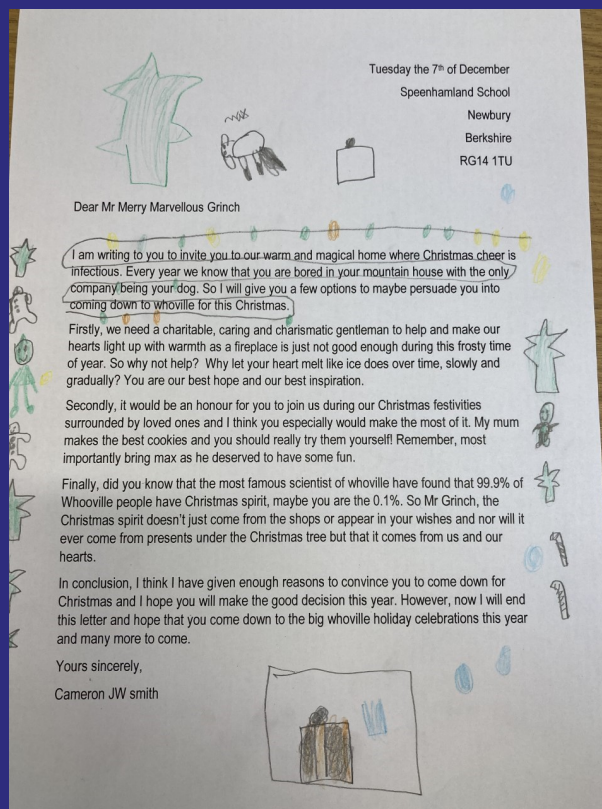
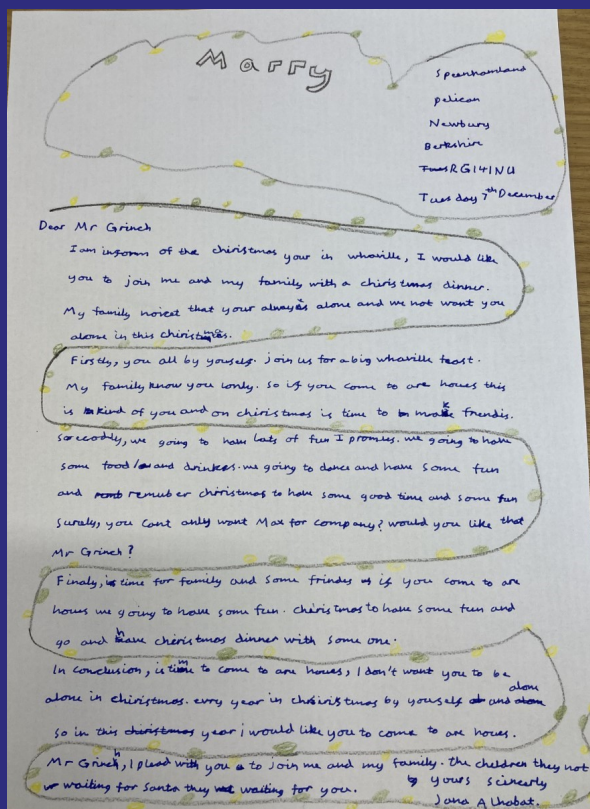
Attendance

This week's attendance is 89.17%.

Last week was 89.63%

Wishing everyone well.

CHILDREN'S AMAZING WORK THIS WEEK



In Redwood Class this week, pupils wrote persuasive letters to the Grinch inviting him to Whoville for Christmas festivities.

By Isabelle, Jana and Cameron



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



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.

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