



High Notes

Primary High Notes 1st December 2023

Dear Parents

It has been another wonderfully busy week here at school. As we race towards the Christmas holidays, our pupils and staff have been working tirelessly to prepare for the many special events we have planned for these final few weeks of the autumn term.

The excitement hit fever pitch this afternoon as we welcomed Year 1 and Year 2 parents, grandparents and siblings to the school for the performance of Woolly. It was a heart-warming way to usher in the Christmas season, and I know the pupils felt especially thrilled to show off their acting and singing talents to their families.

The final two weeks of term will be full of festive events and activities. School will close for the Christmas break on Friday 15th December at 3.30pm, please note that there will be no after school clubs or primary extra time on this day.

Best wishes,

Amy Chapman

Head

KS1 Production – Woolly

Congratulations to Year 1 and 2 for their Christmas production, Woolly! A nativity by Niki Davies.

Woolly, is teased for his very woolly appearance by the others. He feels upset, different and isolated. As we know, Jesus spent his life standing up for the poor, the hungry and the isolated. The character of Woolly, whose wool is eventually chosen to create the blanket in which Jesus is wrapped, serves as a wonderful example that differences should be celebrated, that everybody should be valued and cherished, and that we should never judge people (or sheep!) on appearances.

It was a fantastic performance, well done to all the children and thank you all our staff who made this wonderful production possible.

For more photographs please visit our website gallery by clicking here - [Year 1 & 2 Christmas Production, Woolly - Derby High School](#)



The Wrens' Elf Has Arrived!

The Wrens' elf has arrived today from the North Pole! Santa has heard that the Wrens have lots of fun whilst learning at Derby High and Eddie the Elf can't wait to see what they get up to!

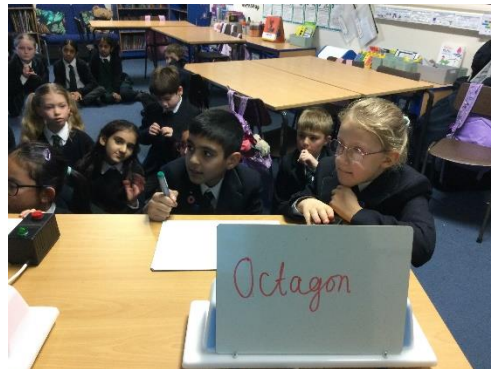
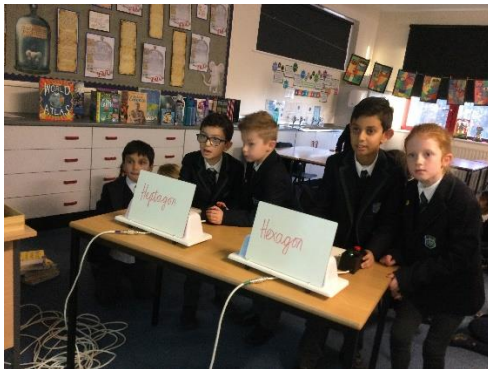


Year 4 Science

Year 4 had a busy week last week! As part of their science work, they ventured outdoors to carry out a science investigation comparing different areas of the school environment. They used plant identification keys to observe the types of plants found in the Conservation Area and on the field.

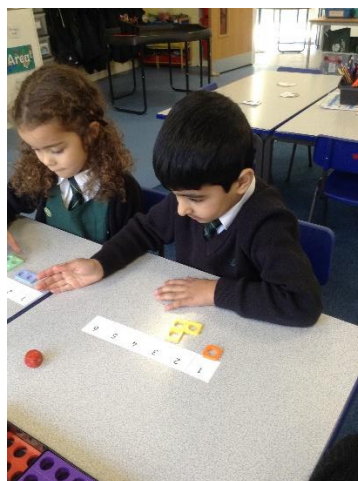


We finished the week with the Year 4 Multiplication Quiz, where the children competed in teams to see who would be crowned the Times Table Champions!



Reception maths

In Reception this week, we have looked at subitising. The children enjoyed playing a bingo game with the dice and Numicon pieces, recognising the value of the dice through the pattern of the spots and then finding the matching Numicon piece for that number.



Safeguarding Corner

New Roblox Checklist

Swgfl have updated their Roblox checklist. If your child uses this platform, we very much recommend you have a look at the link here:

[New Roblox Checklist Available | SWGfL](#)

UK Safer Internet Centre – Threads, A Guide for Parents and Carers

New social media platform, Threads, is rapidly gaining traction. If you want to know more, here is a parent guide to the new app:

[Threads - A guide for parents and carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Dates For Your Diary

Wednesday 6th December – Learning Review Meetings EYFS to Year 6

Thursday 7th December – Primary Christmas Concert

Monday 11th December - Learning Review Meetings EYFS to Year 6

Tuesday 12th December – Christmas Carol Service

Wednesday 13th December – EYFS Parents’ Breakfast and Nativity

Thursday 14th December – Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 15th December – Term ends at 3.30pm, no PET or clubs.