

THE BRADDOCK BLURB

Nurturing Every Talent

Maga Kettep Roas

Issue no. 12 - Autumn Term | Friday 18th December 2020



A message from Mr Riggs, Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

The festivities really went up a gear this week and we are all certainly full of Christmas feels.

On Tuesday, Oak Class visited a local care home to sing seven carols to the residents, who watched on from the safety of their communal rooms. There was a great deal of laughter, tears of joy, dancing and lots of 'oohs' and 'ahhs'. The care home manager and carers were incredibly grateful for us visiting as many of the residents have had little contact with the outside world for quite some time.

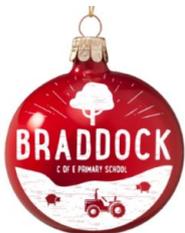
Following this, we travelled to Bradoc Church to record us singing *Away in a Manger* to share with a partner church in Maryland, USA. All involved commended the children on their faultless behaviour and sense of compassion. Well done everyone!

On Wednesday, I was privileged to be invited to the premier of the nativity performed by Cherry Class. I was blown away by their wonderful singing and how much they enjoyed putting it together. We can't wait for all of our EYFS parents to watch it!

On Thursday, we held our own Christingle Service across the school. The children made their own Christingles in class and we held a socially distanced service where the children walked around the outside of the school before coming together in bubbles to share a hymn and some reflection time. Despite not being in the church, it was a very poignant event as it also marked the first time the school had come together since March. Later in the morning, Cherry Class received a special visitor - Father Christmas himself! He asked the children what they would like for Christmas (no promises made!) and commended them on their fantastic behaviour in school. In the afternoon, all children enjoyed the Pantomime 'Covidella' kindly paid for by our PTA, with treats also organised. We are extremely grateful to the PTA for organising this for us.

Today, we enjoyed our final few hours together of 2020 with Christmas activities and games including some treats here and there, as well as sharing some reflections of the Autumn term.





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As we wrap up another busy term, I offer a prayer:

*During this holy season of Christmas, we ask for your blessing on all families.
May whoever is feeling unwell and weak be given strength.
May all of those who have heavy burdens have their load lightened.
May those who are on their own feel your presence with them.
We ask that we are brought back together in the new year safe and well.
In Jesus' name. Amen.*



As always, thank you so much for your continued support during what has been a challenging time for us all. Your love, prayers and care have all helped us tremendously.

Wishing you a wonderful Christmas with your loved ones. Stay safe!

Tom Riggs

Head of School

Awards of the Week...

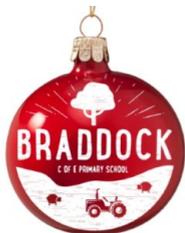
	Brilliant Behaviour	Bring It! Values & Virtues	Star Learner
Cherry Class	<i>Kaydan</i>	<i>Jowan</i>	<i>Elly</i>
Elm Class	-	<i>Jasmine</i>	<i>Ruby</i>
Willow Class	<i>Henry</i>	<i>Tulolah</i>	<i>Luke</i>
Oak Class	<i>Erin A</i>	<i>Gerard</i>	<i>Ailsa</i>

PTA - Braddock School Friends



We would like to thank our amazing PTA who have organised the fundraising events this year. Along with all our parents and extended families they have raised an impressive amount of money to provide extra resources and experiences for all our children. It is wonderful to be able to work alongside them. If you would like to know more about how to be involved with fundraising events please email knight1981@btinternet.com. Thank you guys - your are amazing!





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Clubs



We are hoping to be able to offer a variety of after school clubs in the Spring term. These will be limited in numbers and keeping children within their class bubbles. It will be lovely to have these activities with the children and will let you know more details in the new year!

Dates for your diary...

Mon 4th Jan - INSET Day
Tue 5th Jan - Return to school
Mon 11th Jan - Big Schools Garden Bird Watch
Mon 11th Jan - Clubs Start
Fri 15th Jan - Reception application deadline
Mon 18th Jan - World Religion Day
Fri 22nd Jan - National Handwriting Day
Mon 25th Jan - Burns' Night
Mon 25th Jan - Art Exhibition Week
Mon 1st Feb - National Storytelling Week
Weds 3rd Feb - Pupil Takeover Day

Mon 8th Feb - National Kite Flying Day
Tues 9th Feb - Internet Safety Day
Fri 12th Feb - Chinese New Year

Trips to be confirmed

Fri 15th Jan - Year 5 Astronomy Evening
Wed 10th Feb - Yr3/4 Bake Lakes
Thur 25th Feb - Yr5/6 Den Building at Antony
Wed 3rd Mar - Yr2 St Piran's Day march at Perranporth

COVID19 UPDATE



Please ensure that you remain in your vehicle until your child is ready to collect from the correct gate. We ask that parents do not congregate at the bottom of the steps or at the end of the ramp next to the Cherry and Year 1/2 exit. Thank you for your understanding.

Any child or parent presenting any of the three symptoms linked to COVID19 (below) will not be permitted entry onto the site.

The main symptoms linked to Coronavirus (COVID19) are:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

If you or your child have any of the symptoms above you must arrange for a COVID Test. This can be booked via www.nhs.uk website. If you experience a problem using the online system please call the NHS helpline on 119. Once you have the results they can be forwarded to secretary@braddock.cornwall.sch.uk

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