

ENJOY LEARNING:
EMBRACE CHALLENGE!

SOUTH DARLEY C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



Celebrating our Week

Friday 17th December 2021

Infants - Looking forward to next term

Next term we will be celebrating and learning more about our pets and other animals with paws, claws and whiskers. This will include finding out how to look after various animals and the things you need to think about if you are considering having a pet. We will be identifying their common names and features and finding out which are herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. We will be learning to draw some different animals and having a go at producing some pet portraits. We will also be designing and making some animal pictures with moving parts, thinking carefully about how to join our materials. We are looking forward to talking about why we love our pets and why they are so much a part of family life.



Upper Juniors-Looking forward to next term

After our Christmas break we will be starting our topic 'Rainforests'. As part of this Topic, we will be looking at Rainforests of the World and where they are located. We will also be exploring the animals living in the different layers and how they are adapted to their environment. In Literacy we will begin by using the book, 'The Great Kapok Tree' to explore and debate the issues facing Rainforests and this will lead into writing a 'dilemma' story. To link with our topic, we will start by looking at Living Things and their Habitats in Science – we will be exploring classification of plants and animals and microorganisms. In Art we will work in groups to create a rainforest in a box and we will be taking part in a STEM project making electric trains. PE will move back to Friday after the Christmas break and swimming will restart on the 19th January.

Lower Juniors-Looking forward to next term



After the Christmas holidays, we will start our new topic 'Rainforests' by exploring rainforests around the world and the inhabitants who live there.

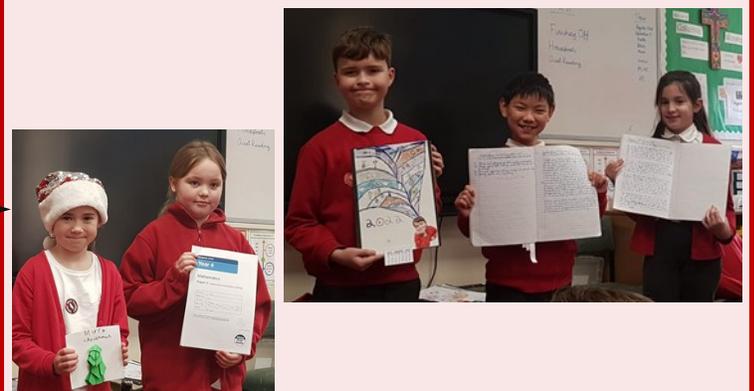
We will be using the book 'The Great Kapok Tree' to debate key issues. In Maths, we will be using our knowledge of the times tables to multiply and divide bigger numbers together. PE will revert back to Wednesdays and homework will be sent out on Fridays. In music juniors will be continuing to learn the violin/viola. They will be progressing further using bows and will be moving from following letters to coloured notes to assist in reading music. They will also be looking at different types of bowing.



Best work of the week went to all of the infants for their fabulous Nativity Service performances, Denna, Shohei, Jessie, Mia and Patrick.

RE whole school—Looking forward to next

The infants will be looking at the question 'who made the world?' Juniors will be finding out what Christians learn from the creation story and will be considering whether creation and science are conflicting or complimentary.



House Points

Haddon - 21

Riber—38

Chatsworth—33

**House Points Prize Winners—
Belle & Emmy**

**Termly House Points Prize
Winner—Sophia**

What's on next week

Mon 20th	Christmas Buffet. Any extras shop bought & sealed please. (Warm) Festive clothes day including jumpers
Tues 21st	Christmas Service cancelled sorry. Christmas Dinner followed by Talent Show
Weds 22nd	Games Day. Nothing valuable, without a camera or internet abled.
Thurs 23rd	INSET DAY/PUBLIC HOLIDAY set by school in lieu of Queens additional May Day holiday
Mon 10th	First day of new term
Tues 11th	Individual Violin lessons
Weds 12th	PE for Y3/4
Thurs 13th	Y5/6 Sports Hall Athletics 9.30am-12 noon. Highfields Lumsdale. Individual pupils only. Parent transport required.
Fri 14th	PE for Y5/6 and Infants

Sports Fixtures and Results

Mia &
Maisie

Margot &
Corey

Thia-louise,
Denna
& Ed

Well done to all our infants for their starring roles in our Nativity Service 'Babushka'



Governors Award

The Governors Award is given to a child by the Governors following nominations by teachers in order to give special recognition to a child who has performed particularly well in any aspect of school life.



The Award for Infants has been awarded to Takuma for his improved confidence and proficiency in his English.



The Award for Lower Juniors has been awarded to Isla R for trying very hard with everything particularly when completing a tricky piece of work.



The award for Upper Juniors has been awarded to Lucas for his hard work, positive attitude and making excellent

Courtesy Cup

The Courtesy Cup is normally awarded to one child from infants and Juniors at the end of the term in recognition of their continued impeccable manners, politeness and courtesy to others at all times around school. Autumn term Courtesy Cup winners are Flo and Evelyn.

