



**Waddington All Saints Academy**  
A L.E.A.D. Academy



## Newsletter December 2018



### The INN-spectors Bring Laughter and Fun

Key Stage 1 and Foundation Stage children have thrilled and entertained their audiences with their wonderful singing, dancing and acting skills in their Christmas production this week. We have been so proud of them as they have told their tale of health and safety inspectors that turn up in Bethlehem at the time of the first Christmas. Once again we have been able to witness what talented pupils we are lucky enough to have at our school. We would like to thank all those that came to watch their show.

### PTA Christmas Fair

The festive season began early with our Christmas Choir opening the St Michael's Christmas Fair in November. We were very proud of the children giving up some of their weekend to represent the academy and we would like to thank all of those that joined us. A short while later the PTA hosted their own Christmas Fair at school. There was a huge crowd there to support them and the school was bustling with families keen to visit Father Christmas in his grotto and buy Christmas gifts, including the festive creations made by their own children. We would like to thank our PTA for their amazing work in organising, running and clearing up after this fabulous event. They were delighted to have not only put on a very positive event, but also to have been able to raise £1110. Many thanks and congratulations to all concerned.

## Happy Christmas to you all

### Monday 17th December

Carol services: Key Stage 2 will take place at in the school hall at 9am.

FS / KS1 Service at the church in Waddington beginning at 9.40am.

### Wednesday 19th December

Christmas lunch.

### Thursday 20th December

We have decided to make the last day of term a non-uniform day. We will not charge for this, but please ensure that clothing is suitable for school.

**Children break up from 2.30pm**

### Monday 7th January

Children return to school



### African Art Printing

KS1 have been learning about printing and exploring patterns often found in African art. We employed the very talented artist Elaine Winter to work with the children to develop their printing skills to a very high level. They were shown how to cut foam geometric shapes and use these to create a printing board. Using rollers and ink on their tiles they were able to experiment with the pattern. Ultimately the children used their print board to create a repeating pattern across calico to create a whole class African design. They look stunning.



### Tag Rugby Competition

Children from Year 4 and 5 very much enjoyed taking part in an Inter School Tag Rugby competition delivered by Synergy Sports. We were very proud of their effort and team work throughout the day where they finished 3rd and 4th in the competition overall.

### Wartime Christmas

Y5/6 recently had a visit to Metheringham Airfield to take part in a 'Wartime Christmas' which concluded their World War Two learning. They had the experience of working alongside Aviation Heritage staff to organise rations, bake, create letters home, make homemade decorations and they took part in a dance workshop to learn a 1940s inspired routine.



Back at school, the snowmen that they made to sell at the Christmas Fair were based upon the principle of 'make do and mend' resulting in completely individual and creative products.

The children in this part of school also stayed on after school one night to do their enterprise project. Their intention was to think about how to raise finances to invest later in this year. The children decided to hold a quiz to do with parents based around their learning from this term. Biscuits were donated and they bought fruit turnovers straight from a supplier to reduce costs. When the quiz took place teams were extremely competitive, but the result was very close.



### Congratulations to our School Council.

School Council organised a successful charity day to support the WWF. Every child in the school was able to come dressed as an animal and took part in fun animal related activities to highlight the wonderful work of the charity. The total raised for the World Wide Fund for Nature was £325.78. The School Council have also been involved in other events recently. They ran a whole school assembly about the meaning of the LEAD values and two of them, David and Hava, represented us at a cross academy event for pupils run by LEAD to enable pupils to have a voice in the future of the Multi Academy Trust.

Another significant event was when the School Council worked with the Woodland Trust to organise the planting of 450 trees in Waddington village. All of the Key Stage 2 children were involved in this opportunity and having planted the trees we are excited to be able to watch them grow and hopefully thrive in the years ahead.



Have a wonderful Christmas and we look forward to working with you all in 2019

