



# COOPERS LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Week Ending 20th December 2023  
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### MERRY CHRISTMAS

What a busy end to the term it's been at Coopers Lane. Last week Year 4 & 5 put on a breathtaking performance of the Snow Queen, which would rival any West End show! It was absolutely fantastic and just wonderful to see the children enjoying performing in front of family and friends. Then on Friday it was the turn of Year 1 & Reception, with their first performance of Baarmy Bethlehem.

The confidence the children showed on stage was amazing and I am sure like me, all of the parents, carers and families watching felt immense pride. Over the past 3 weeks, we've had 11 spectacular performances. What a way to finish the term!

You can access all of the [performance films here](#) (passwords have been emailed to you).

As we bring the term to a close and look forward to the upcoming festivities, it's an important time for us to also reflect on the wider world. As a Rights Respecting School, we ask that you take some time to think about the families around the world who do not have the same rights as us this Christmas. The recent and ongoing conflict in Israel-Palestine has left many families living in terrible conditions, without the basic right to live with food, clothing and a safe home (Article 27). Our thoughts are with the families caught up in this humanitarian crisis, and those impacted by conflict across the world.

I would like to finish by thanking you for another great term at Coopers Lane.

Enjoy the festivities and my best wishes to you all.



### DELICIOUS

Thank you to Chef Sonia and the kitchen team for cooking an incredible Christmas lunch on Friday. It was absolutely delicious and we all really enjoyed it. We're so lucky to have such a talented team to cook us delicious fresh food every day!



### THANK YOU PTA



A huge thank you to the PTA for running the raffles at all of our performances over the past couple of weeks. The PTA are all volunteers and give up hours of their time to support the school, for which we are very grateful. The raffles raised an incredible

**£1720**

### RACE EQUALITY SURVEY

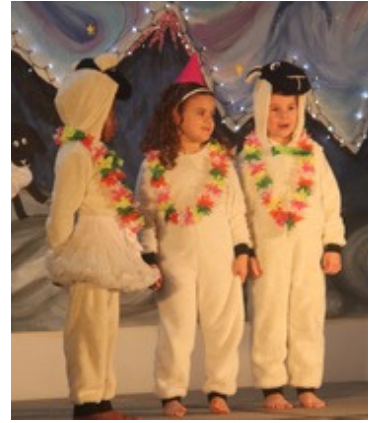
Across Lewisham, schools have been working hard to uphold the Race Equality Pledge, signed by all schools in 2021. As part of this work, we want to hear from you. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey and give your views. Your voice is important!

**[Race Equality Survey](#)**



## RECEPTION AND YEAR 1

Reception and Year 1 put on a fantastic Christmas production, Baarmy Bethlehem! All of the children performed so well, from rehearsing lines and learning words to songs to singing and performing to a huge audience. They all did so well. We are beyond proud of you all!





## YEAR 4

This week, we had our brilliant production of the Snow Queen. We've been rehearsing so much over the past few weeks and we had so much fun singing and dancing for everyone in our costumes. We can't wait for Christmas!



## YEAR 5

We are so proud of all of the children for putting on such a fantastic performance of The Snow Queen last week. It was an absolute triumph and a production we will all be talking about for years to come! FABULOUS!





## NURSERY

In Nursery we have been celebrating Hanukkah. We made Menorah's and candles. We also made lots of decorations for the the children's Christmas trees at home. The children had a great time playing musical chairs and games for their Christmas party.



## YEAR 2

Year 2 enjoyed visiting Brymore House care home this week to deliver their letters to the residents. They also sang Christmas songs, and got the residents joining in too! In maths, we've been learning about 2D and 3D shapes and describing their properties including the number of sides, edges and vertices. In RE we've explored different religious artefacts and used our investigative skills to work out which religion the different objects belong to.



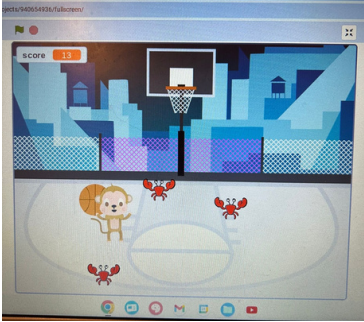
## YEAR 3



This week Year 3 enjoyed their dojo reward, a trip on the Polar Express. We came in dressed in pyjamas, decorated our own tickets and rang bells to believe. We also had a visit from Santa! We can't wait for Christmas.



## YEAR 6



Year 6 have had a wonderful last week! We performed an amazing carol concert at the church and our families thoroughly enjoyed hearing all of our wonderful singing. Back at school we have been working hard to create our own WW2 themed electricity games and our own computer games using the 'Scratch' coding language. We have also enjoyed learning about how to read Ordinance Survey Maps and completing challenges using them. We are also very proud of all of Year 6 who have chosen charity gifts for Christmas this year so that they can help those in need.

## MEET THE NEW STUDENT TEAMS

### GREEN TEAM

This week was our first Green Team meeting where we had discussions about what our green mission will be for this year. We are focusing on ways that we can help the environment within our school community. We had so many great ideas and we cannot wait to start!



### SCHOOL COUNCIL

Congratulations to all of our new school councillors who were elected in by their classmates to represent their class. They're looking forward to working on some projects this year to make our school EVEN better!

