

Let Your Light Shine

Matthew 5:16

Canon Popham C of E Primary Academy Newsletter

Friday 20th December 2024

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The VALUE we have explored this half term is

COMPASSION

We have looked this week at:

God of the Unexpected – Luke 2.21-40

Next term we will explore the value of:

COURAGE



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TRUST

Christmas at Canon Popham C of E Primary Academy

Nativity and Christmas Parties

The festive season has got underway well and truly over the last two weeks with the Christmas carol services, nativity performances and Christmas parties in upper key stage 2.

KS2 children took part in their Christmas Carol service in our church last week and sang their songs with such enthusiasm. We could not be prouder of Year 5 who led the service this year and retold the Christmas story so clearly – very well done, Year 5. Thank you to all who attended.



I am sure everyone who came to see the nativities were as proud of the children as we all were, it was a joy to behold! They performed their speaking parts and sang their songs (with actions) so beautifully – they are all a real credit to our school. A very big thank you to all staff who put together these joyful events!

Christmas Fair



Thank you to everyone who supported school by donating items for the Christmas Fair. A huge thank you to Year 6 and members of school staff and volunteers who helped to set up and run the Christmas Fair. We hope the children enjoyed their afternoon. Pupil ambassadors have met this week to discuss ideas for using the funds raised throughout school. They then meet with all classes across school and after that the children all voted on some of the ideas. We will update with purchases next year!

What's happened in school:

Week beg 16th December

Monday 16th Y1-6 pantomime CAST

Tuesday 17th EYFS pantomime

Tuesday 17th Y5 and Y6 party

Wednesday 18th Christmas lunch

Wednesday 18th EYFS and KS1 party

With a visit from a very special person!

Thursday 19th Y3 and Y4 party

Friday 20th Golden Ticket draw

Friday 20th final worship of 2024

Friday 20th Santa Dash in support of

The Children's Air Ambulance - The Hanger Superstore, Doncaster

Friday 20th School closes at 3.15pm

Monday 23rd Christmas holidays

Team points for this term...

St ANDREW: 2598 = 1st

St GEORGE: 1838 = 4th

St PATRICK: 2545 = 3rd

St DAVID: 2418 = 2nd

Well done to St Andrew's for this term's team winners!

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Staff letting their lights shine!

School catering team at Canon Popham let their lights shine on Wednesday 18th by providing a delicious Christmas Lunch. We had Christmas music playing and each table was dressed with a Christmas cracker joke. Well done staff – you gave our children a lovely Christmas experience!



Diary Dates – Autumn term

December

Friday 20th – last day of term

Monday 23rd – CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS (2 weeks)

Diary Dates – Spring term

January 2025

Monday 6th – school re-opens to pupils

Tuesday 7th – Y5 swimming lessons start 10.30-12

Wednesday 15th – closing date for reception class applications

Wednesday 15th – Phonic Screening Check meeting for parents/carers in year 1

Tuesday 28th – Young Voices mass choir concert at Sheffield Utilita Area

Weds 29th – With Me In Mind assembly

Thursday 30th – Doncaster DSAT schools Big Sing event at Travis St Lawrence School

February 2025

Children's Mental Health Week 3rd-7th Feb

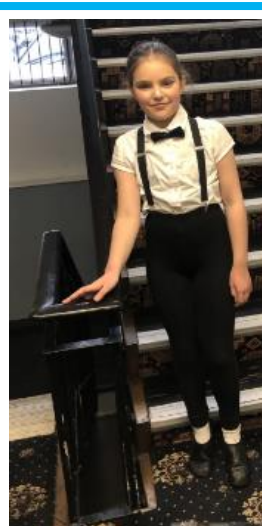
Let Your Light Shine! Drama Competition



Elsie Letting her light shine!

Elsie attends Holly Anderson's Speech and Drama and took part in Annie where she played 2 different characters and Grease where she took on the role of a high school pupil. Elsie felt happy because this was the 3rd show and she felt proud of herself for getting a medal.

Well done Elsie – we are proud of you too!



Bicycles, balance bikes, scooters and tricycles.

If you have outgrown any of these, we would be really grateful if you could donate to our EYFS and Y1 classes for their outdoor learning through play sessions. Thank you!

If you would like to share how your child has **Let their light shine** in some way outside of school, please email a photo and short description to their class teacher or enquiries@cpa.dsat.education thank you.

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Attendance Matters

Attendance for the past week

F2 – 83.5%

Y1 – 94.4%

Y2 – 93.9%

Y3 – 92%

Y4 – 96.3% = WINNERS!

Y5 – 96%

Y6 – 92.2%

Every week the class with the highest attendance earns 5 mins extra break (10 mins if they have 100%). Well done to this week's winner..... **YEAR 4**

Whole school = 93.4%

Attendance Matters

Attendance for the ½ term

F2 – 89.5%

Y1 – 93.7%

Y2 – 94.2%

Y3 – 95%

Y4 – 96% = WINNERS!

Y5 – 95.4%

Y6 – 93.5%

Well done, **Year 4** – attendance winners for this half term. They will enjoy a special event when we return after Christmas!

Whole school = 94%

Attendance Matters

Attendance for Autumn term

F2 – 91.7%

Y1 – 95.6%

Y2 – 96%

Y3 – 96.7% = WINNERS!

Y4 – 96.5%

Y5 – 96.4%

Y6 – 94%

Well done, **Year 3** – attendance winners for the summer term. They will enjoy an extra special event when we return after Christmas!

Whole school = 95.3%

Attendance

Canon Popham CofE Primary Academy is committed to maximising educational opportunities and achievement for all students. For students to gain the best from their time at Canon Popham it is very important that they achieve excellent attendance and punctuality. Thank you for your support.

Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

100% attendance autumn term

winners

Luke – Y3

Zak – Y6

Well done!



Golden Ticket Draw

Well done to children who were Golden Ticket winners today

F2 – Aria

Y1 – Reuben T

Y2 – Isla W

Y3 – Lexie

Y4 – Brandon

Y5 – Isla F

Y6 – Eliana



Let you light shine, on everyone, everywhere, everyday – Matthew 5:16

We are always asking our children, What does it mean to let your light shine? And today we have shown how we can be lights in not just our school but in our community. Every child from nursery to Year 6 took part in a SANTA DASH in aid of The Children's Air Ambulance Service supporting The Hanger Doncaster. Thank you so much for supporting everyone!

From all staff at Canon Popham C of E Primary Academy, we would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We will see you all on Monday 6th January 2025 for the start of the Spring term. Best wishes, Mrs Shelton

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Jett letting his light shine outside of school by achieving yellow tag in taekwondo. Well done Jett, we are very proud of you!



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Nathan letting his light shine outside of school by working hard and learning to swim without his armbands. Well done Nathan, we are very proud of you!



Christmas storytelling with Grandpa Sticks



Early years foundation stage

Children in nursery and reception have enjoyed a last week filled with pantomime, parties and storytelling. Last Friday we were visited by 'Grandpa Sticks' Christmas storytelling where children listened to an interactive Christmas story joining in with songs and actions. On Tuesday 17th we had a visit from The North Office Theatre company who performed their Littlest Elf pantomime and on Wednesday 18th children in reception, nursery and KS1 enjoyed a Christmas party with a visit from a very special guest Santa Claus!!!

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