

6th December 2024

Children of the Forest

FOREST School ... What is that? Forest School is a child-centred learning process, providing learner inspired, hands-on experiences in the natural environment. It's creative and can increase a child's confidence as they problem-solve and learn to manage risks.

Forest school at ACE happens on a Thursday and Friday and the children have been really enjoying it. Last week some children were using oranges to make some bird feeders and hoping to attract some small birds to our school field while others were sawing wood to make a Christmas Tree!



Dates for the diary

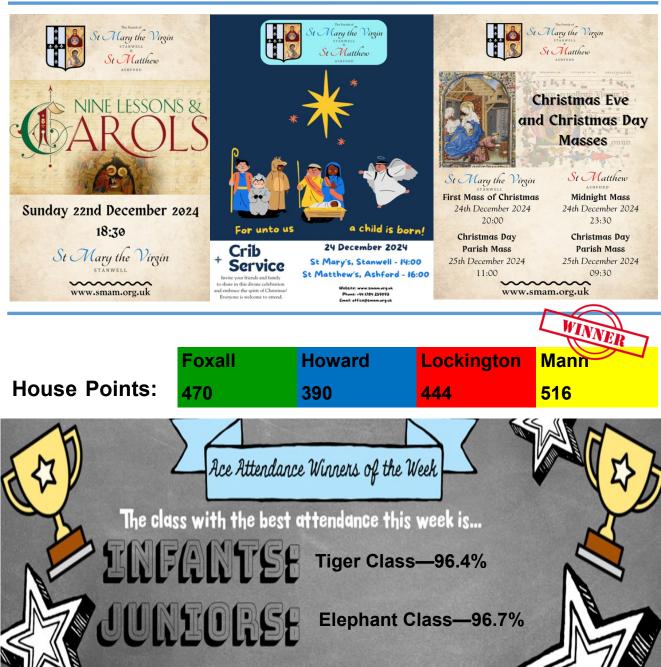
- 9th December— PTA Christmas Wreath Making 7pm
- 10th December— Year 1 & 2 Nativity 1.30pm
- 11th December— Year 1 & 2 Nativity 9.30am
- 12th December— Year 1 & 2 Nativity 9.30am
- 13th December— Reception Christmas Songs 2.30pm
- 16th December— Open Afternoon Reception, Years 1 and 2.
- 17th December— Open Afternoon Year 3—6
- 18th December— School Christmas Lunch
- 18th December— Junior Carol Concert—St Hilda's Church 6pm



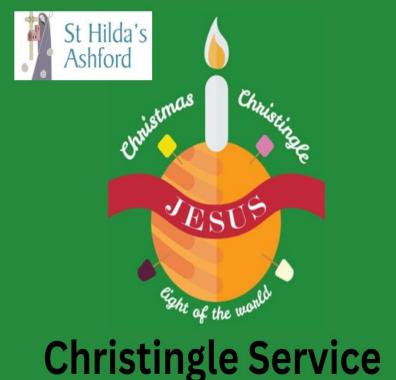
St Matthews Christmas Tree Festival



AS usual we will be participating in the St Matthews Christmas Tree Festival this year. It opens on Sunday and runs for 2 weeks. If you are in Ashford High Street why not pop into St Matthews and vote for ACE. Don't forget to tell your family and friends to give us a vote too!



Our attendance target is 96% Whole school this week 91.79



Sunday 8th December at 4pm

Christmas Services at St Hilda's

Sunday 15th at 4pm Carol Service Sunday 22nd at 10am Eucharist with Crib Service Tuesday 24th at 11pm Midnight Mass Wednesday 25th at 10am Christmas Day Parish Cucharist

ACE Achievers



WINNERS! Connie and Scarlett from Year 6 travelled to Paris with their Cheerleading team and won their international competition. Amazing work-well done!

We were very proud to learn that Lilly-Ann from Panther Class, along with her friend took it upon themselves to raise money for Barnardos Charity by Carol singing in the local



community and to help give Christmas back to a child living in poverty. With their selfless act of kindness, [jilly-Ann and her friend Madsion raised a whooping £110.92p on their first night of singing, spreading festive Cheer!!

Caretakers Taking Care

THIS week in worship we have been learning about what it means to have respect for God's wonderful world.

Everything we see around us was created by God. The sun, to give us light and warmth and the rain to give us water. In fact have a look around you. Everything was created in the beginning by God. We have Mr Mackinney and Miss Elsom as our Caretakers, taking care of our school so we are the Caretakers of the earth. We must look after what we have so that future generations can enjoy it and continue to take care



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of it. So lets

all be good caretakers and look after and respect all the wonderful things we have been given.

Respectfully taking care of our school— Mr Mackinney and Miss Elsom.

Book Recommendation

By Miss Pooley

The Lightning Catcher is one of my favourite books.

It is about a young boy called Alfie, who moves to a new town



with his family. Shortly they after arrive some mysterious things begin to happen with the weather. Alfie sets out investigate to the mystery. He sets

something sparking with electricity free.

This book is a fun mix of science and imagination.

Christmas Card Competition

The ACE Christmas card competition closing date next week!

Get your Christmas



creativity hats on and design a card to be sent out to our friends of ACE. The children have already been given an entry form to create a festive design, this needs to be given in to their



class teacher by Wednesday 11th December if they want to enter. There will be one winner for the infants and one winner for the juniors.

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(Name	Reason
Koala	Theo C	For sharing his good ideas during our discussion about Winter and how the weather changes
	Oliver SP	For explaining his ideas about why ice melts
Kangaroo	Charlie L	For trying really hard to use his words when playing
	Henry G	For growing in confidence when reading with an adult
Tiger	Leo L	For his positive attitude towards reading
	Rahela A	For writing a fantastic story of Billy and the Beast
Panda	Ava H	For persevering to complete her weaving independently
	Hosna W	For wonderful story writing about Billy the Beast.
Zebra	Advika N	For her enthusiasm and positive attitude to learning, especially in Maths
	Taha R	For always trying his hardest and persevering in lessons
Giraffe	Mia S	For her incredible non fiction booklet about the Great Fire of London
	Eli P	For always being a kind and thoughtful friend to everyone
Lemur	Nokukhanya	For her excellent knowledge and understanding of multiplication and division
	Arjon I	For his interesting contributions to all our lessons
Meerkat	Finley L	For his superb understanding of 4 figure grid references
	Rupert C	For some really interesting thoughts
Rhino	XingYou	For making a fantastic start to his time at ACE
	Hugo W	For being a brilliant learning partner and always supporting others
Elephant	Isla R	For completing her geography learning independently
	Henry F	For explaining clearly how extreme weather can impact lives
Llama	Advaith S	For a great explanation of a Mars rover
	Seth P	For a very concise explanation of why we have moon phases
Buffalo	Ruby S	For her excellent writing in English this week
	George D	For his fantastic effort and improved confidence in maths
Panther	Finlay F	For demonstrating our value of respect all of the time.
	Kartik	For his fantastic reasoning skills in maths
Leopard	Dean C	For showing perseverance when adding and subtracting mixed numbers
	Billy-John	For working hard and being a supportive learning partner in maths lessons